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FISH CONTROL BRIBE CASE

Alleged Payment To Health Inspector

Crown Witness's Evidence

That an Indian foreman of the markets had been given \$600 for the children of a European Health Inspector who shortly after his appointment had visited the stalls in the Central Market and found some not to be in order, was alleged by Chan Kam, witness for the prosecution, when cross-examined by Mr. Bernacchi at Central Magistracy yesterday in the Fish Control Bribery case.

The case is being heard by Mr. A. J. Clifford. The defendants, who are charged with conspiracy and bribery, are Chan Koon-kau, Kwok Muk-hoi, Li Ki-man and Cho Wai-hin.

Mr. B. A. Bernacchi acted for first accused and the others were represented by Mr. J. C. Stewart. Mr. F. W. Shaftain is prosecuting for the crown.

Chan Kam under cross-examination by Mr. Bernacchi said that there were 11 laans in existence in 1946. They did not have the monopoly of fish before the war.

It was right to say that the laans advanced the money for the fishing equipment to the junks and as the result of the Government's scheme they stood to lose millions of dollars. When the Government scheme was put into effect the laans held a monopoly but he did not know it was to be a "fighting fund" to combat the Government scheme.

He knew it was decided to appeal to Government not to enforce the scheme. He did not know that a big seizure of fish had been made in January. He knew the four accused were arrested and shortly after that he left for Canton in connection with fish business. He denied that he returned to Hong Kong because of a message from the Police and that he had been told by Mr. Shaftain that he (Mr. Shaftain) would ask Government to make it easier for the laans. One Tong Wah had made the suggestion. He denied that the meeting in 1945, when first defendant and a Portuguese inspector were present, was arranged by him.

Witness said that he paid the money over and others did the bribery and therefore could not say who received bribes. He was the chairman of the Fish Stall Owners Association in the Central Market.

Regarding the meeting in 1945, which he denied was arranged by him, witness said that he was asked there. He denied that at the meeting there was vague talk of a scheme which would be to the mutual benefit of those present. He denied that they talked about bribes.

In reply to Mr. Stewart witness said that he recalled the arrangement made with the Fishery Inspectors and that for two years there were no seizures of fish.

When it was put to him, witness said that he did not go often to the pier where fish were landed. He was not afraid to be arrested by the Fishery Inspectors. If the police wanted to arrest them they would evade arrest by sailing the boat away. This had been done once or twice. It was not necessary to evade the other inspectors as money had been paid. At the Central Market he was not afraid of arrest by the police as they had flocks at both ends. There were police on duty at the Central Market.

Questioned whether he had paid bribes to other persons witness said that once \$600 was paid to a European inspector. He did not remember clearly the date. It was last year. It was paid to an Indian who resides in the Central Market.

Pressed on the point witness said that the inspector had been newly appointed. The money was paid to his children. The newly appointed inspector went round the market one day and found some stalls not in order. This inspector had nothing to do with the Fisheries.

Re-examined by Mr. Shaftain witness said that the \$600 was paid to an Indian. He did not know if he was an Indian but he looked like one. This man was a foreman in the market. He did make a report to Mr. Shaftain about this.

The next witness, Ip King-cheung, said that he was a member of the Fish Stall Owners Association. Early in October Chan Kam invited him to tea at the Lan Hung Shung Cafe. First accused, a Portuguese and another were present. In the hearing of first accused Chan Kam told him that with the control of fish by Government the laans would have a difficult time. Chan Kam hinted that first accused would give every facility if he were paid \$40 a day. If this was agreeable it would be necessary to have all the laans in.

A meeting was later held and an association known as the Hong Yick Tong was formed. Witness was appointed treasurer and funds were obtained by each member subscribing \$50. A shroff was appointed but he absconded after a while. Two weeks later witness saw Chan Kam and first accused. Chan Kam told first accused that the laans recognised him as the man and as a treasurer had been appointed he could go to the treasurer's house every ten days for the money. Chan Wai-kau came every ten days for the money. This continued for nine months when witness resigned owing to ill health and another took over the post.

The object of paying the money was to ensure that the fish would not be seized. The hearing was adjourned.

Nagging Rickshaw Coolies

The rickshaw coolies were nagging at us to take a ride and we had told them repeatedly, no, but they still persisted so we tried to make them go away, forcibly and then the police came and charged us," said one of seven Canadian seamen who appeared at the Central Magistracy yesterday before Mr. A. J. Clifford on charges of creating a disturbance in Hennessy Road at 4.30 p.m. and maliciously damaging a public vehicle and a rickshaw, causing damage totalling \$70.

The defendants—Allan MacIsaac, J. Willis, W. Gillespie, E. Olivera, K. More, R. Ross and J. Jeanson, all seamen on board the S.S. "Lakeside"—pleaded "Guilty" to both charges.

Inan, Brownrigg told the court that defendants were trying to over turn rickshaws and stopping taxis.

Mr. J. Wooley, agent for Dodwell and Co., said that the damage would be paid by the ship's company and that he would see the fines were paid, as defendants' ship was due to sail for Shanghai today.

Mr. Clifford said he was taking into consideration the fact that the damage had been made good and fined, accused \$50 or 20 days hard labour each.

MARINE DEPT. HOLIDAYS

The Marine Department will be closed on Friday, Saturday and Monday except as under:—

Entry and Clearance Office will be closed all day on Friday and open from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

Marine Licensing Office will be open from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Friday and Saturday, both days inclusive.

Mercantile Marine Office will be closed all day on Friday and Saturday and open from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Saturday and Monday.

SNATCHER TO BE CANED

A sentence of six months' hard labour with stripes of the cane and a recommendation for banishment was meted out to 17-year-old Tsang Kam-shui by Mr. F. X. d'Almeida at Central Magistracy yesterday. Tsang pleaded guilty to snatching Miss Kwok Mei-ling, a 16-year-old girl, while she was walking along Des Voeux Road Central on Monday.

It was further ordered by the Magistrate that in the event of defendant being certified unfit for the caning, then an additional month's imprisonment would be added to his sentence. Inspector Moran prosecuted.

Discharged Foki Forged Receipt

Chau Man-cheung (23) was engaged by Sung Po-chuen (51) of the Pekin Art Bug Co. on Jan. 31 as an assistant. On Feb. 17, Sung sold a carpet to Mr. A. L. Landsbert of 8 Humphrey's Building for \$900. This carpet was slightly damaged and, on March 13, the buyer asked Sung by letter to take the carpet back and refund the money to him.

This came to the knowledge of Chau, who could read and write English.

On the following day, Chau was discharged by Sung. At 10 a.m. that day he went to Mr. Landsbert to collect the carpet in order to effect repairs.

Mr. Landsbert refused to hand over the carpet. This refusal was repeated when accused called at 10 a.m. the following morning. At 12 noon Chau went to Mr. Landsbert's residence and told Mrs. Landsbert that he wished to take the carpet away.

Gave Receipt

Mrs. Landsbert agreed to let him do so provided he gave her a receipt for it. Chau produced a receipt, purporting to be from the Pekin Art Bug Co., which he signed and handed to Mrs. Landsbert.

An hour later, Sung sent one of his foks to Mr. Landsbert with a cheque for \$900 and a letter asking to have the carpet back. Mr. Landsbert gave the cheque to the foki and the carpet was taken away.

In the afternoon of March 17, a detective attached to the Tientsin Police found the carpet in an auction room at Johnston Road, Wanchai. He was told that the rug was left by Chau Man-cheung for sale.

When Chau went on the evening of March 18 to the auctioneer's room to inquire about the carpet he was taken into custody by the waiting detective.

Whilst engaged, in inquired about the carpet, detectives from the Tientsin Police Station discovered that Chau formerly lived at 258 Cheung-shan Road, second floor, and that he had stolen a suit of Chinese clothing and a gold watch from his co-tenant on Dec. 15 last.

This was related to Mr. W. H. Lester by Det. Sub-inspector W. B. Savage when Chau was charged with larceny by false pretences, forging a receipt, and receiving stolen goods.

He Cast A Spell Over Her

"I do not know what the man has done but he seemed to have cast a spell over me," Li Shau-tung, 30-year-old married woman, told Magistrate W. H. Lalimer at Kowloon yesterday when testifying against Law Kin-wun (22), charged with keeping a common gaming house.

Inspector J. Oram said that about 11 a.m. on March 21 Li made a report at the Water Police Station to the effect that she had lost \$40 and a gold finger ring while gambling on board the s.s. "Man Chi" on the trip from Hong Kong to Kowloon at 9.20 a.m.

Detective 707 Yu Tung was sent with her to locate the keeper of the gaming school. They waited at the Mong Kok ferry wharf for the arrival of the "Man Chi".

After the passengers had disembarked, the woman pointed out Law as one of a number of persons running the gaming school.

According to the woman, Law, with a woman not in custody, induced her to join in the game known as "Red and Black" after she had lost \$40 she was persuaded to bet her ring.

Law was sentenced to six months' hard labour, and Li fined \$5 for gambling in a common gaming school.

Nearly Proved Fatal

The danger of putting up additional electrical installations was again emphasised in Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr's Court at Kowloon yesterday when Tze Fa, married woman, was charged with having additional electrical installations without the permission of the China Light and Power Co. Ltd. Inspector F. Roberts told the Court that the matter came to the notice of the Tsau Wan Police as the result of an accident which nearly proved fatal.

Defendant, at the owner of a stall in the Tsau Wan Market, on March 22, one of her foks, Lai Char-chung, went on to the tin roof of the stall and was nearly electrocuted.

China Light & Power officials found that additional connections had been made to the installation. Some of these were faulty, while other wires were uncovered.

One of the bare wires came in contact with the tin roof while Lai was on it and nearly killed the man. The shock caused the man to "blow out".

Imposing a fine of \$150, with another \$50 for the meter, Mr. Blair-Kerr warned defendant not to do it again and to pass the warning to her fellow stallholders.

A Births & Deaths Registry will be established in the Seventh Day Adventist Mission School at Clearwater Bay as from April 1, 1948 for the registration of births and deaths occurring in that district.

FOOD AND FUEL FIGURES

The food and fuel costs for the week ending March 20, 1948, issued by the Labour Office, were as follows:—

Rice & Flour	cutters	\$5.7000
Vegetables	1.9	.9800
Salt Cabbage	2	.3200
Oil	7	1.7150
Tea	2	.9600
Salt Fish	3	.9800
Beans	4	.9800
Porridge	3	.9330
Firewood	10.0	1.0000
Beef Cured, 4 pieces		.7000
Total		\$14.2100

Personalia

The Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, will lay the foundation stone of the Hong Kong Telephone Company's new building in Kowloon on tomorrow.

The ceremony will take place at noon.

Air Commodore S. M. Webster, C.B.E., A.F.C., Air Officer Commanding Hong Kong, arrived back in the Colony by air yesterday afternoon from Singapore, where he has been visiting headquarters, Air Command Far East.

Mrs. H. C. B. Way (now residing with her sister, Lady Shenton, at No. 3 The Boleyns, S. W. 10) has announced the Marriage of her daughter, Elizabeth, to Mr. Peter Laurence of Christ Church, Oxford, at Holy Trinity, Brompton, on Saturday, April 10, at 4 p.m. in St. Anne's Gardens, S. W. 7.

The forthcoming wedding of Mr. Henry Felton Hopkins, Mercantile Assistant, 2 May Road, Hong Kong, to Miss Betty Louise Rea, Stenographer, Helena May Institute, has been announced.

Arrivals at the Gloucester Hotel yesterday included Messrs. Laidlaw, Watson, Nunes, Elzalde, Friedman, Lian, Lardizabel and Trengaskis. Departures included Mr. and Mrs. Fenichel, Mr. and Mrs. Aurell, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Smith, Mr. G. E. Von Lehn, Dr. J. P. Patterson and Mrs. M. Glucker.

Departures from the Hong Kong Hotel yesterday included Mr. E. D. Sultan and Mr. W. B. Hopkins.

KOWLOON LAND SALE

New Kowloon Inland Lot Nos. 3515 and 3516, at Castle Peak Road, New Kowloon, will be sold by Public Auction at the Offices of the Public Works Department on Thursday, April 1, at 3 p.m. The area of N.K.L. No. 3515 is about 210,200 sq. ft. and that of N.K.L. No. 3516 is about 209,750 sq. ft. The annual rental is \$5,950 and \$6,750 respectively. The upset price of both lots is \$600,425.

Reminders

Green Island Cement Co., Ltd., annual general meeting, Exchange Building, 12 noon.

H.K. Tramways Co., Ltd., annual general meeting, Jardine's Board Room, 12 noon.

H.K. Bazaar, rendition of "Handel's Messiah," St. Paul's Church, 8 p.m.

Talk on "Conditions in Germany after the War," By Maj. Gen. G. W. E. Erskine, European YMCA, West Loong, 8.30 p.m.

Engineers' Society of Hong Kong, "The Mechanical & Electrical Engineering," by E. McA. Keown & W. A. Anderson, Jacobson Room, H.K. Hotel, 6 p.m.

Psychology Class IV, European YMCA, Women's Section, talk on "The Complete Life" by Capt. A. E. Luff, 8.10 p.m.

Sing-Sing Club, Symphony Orchestra, St. John's Cathedral, 6 p.m.

Coming Events

Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club Dance, 1 p.m.

C.B.S. Dinner, Cabaret Dance, Roof Garden, H.K. Hotel, 9 p.m. to 12 a.m.

The Governor officiates at laying of foundation stone of H.K. Telephone Company's new building, No. 1, Canton Road, Kowloon, 12 noon.

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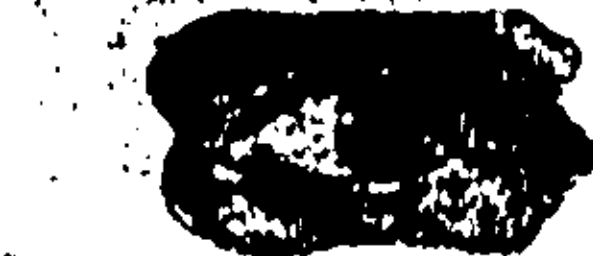
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LORD LISTOWEL ON MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

No Justification For Complaint

As far as Chinese representation is concerned, there is no justification for dissatisfaction with the proposed constitution of the projected Municipal Council for Hong Kong, declared Lord Listowel in reply to written questions submitted to him by the local Chinese press.

Following are the questions submitted by the "Wah Kiu Yat Po," "Sing Tao Jih Pao," and the "Hwa Hsiang Pao," and the answers given by Lord Listowel:—

Along what channels is the self-government of Hong Kong going to be realized? and how long will this take? The Chinese are generally dissatisfied at the too small representation at the intended Municipal Council, in view of the fact that over 90% of the population are Chinese and that most of the revenue comes from the Chinese. Do you think such dissatisfaction is justified?

"The main line of constitutional advance for the people of Hong Kong is the Municipal Council. Before he made his recommendations, Sir Mark Young consulted local opinion. His recommendations were carefully considered by the Secretary of State and some modifications made. In addition the Secretary of State also approved Sir Mark Young's proposal that there should be an unofficial majority in Legislative Council. I do not consider that there is any justification for dissatisfaction with the proposals."

How long do you think this post-war boom of Hong Kong will last?

"I understand that the post-war boom is already over, but I hope that conditions in the Colony will remain prosperous."

The Dollar

There has been a much larger circulation of Hong Kong dollars after the war. Is there any likelihood that the rate between the H.K. dollars and the pound sterling will be revised? "Not as far as I know."

In his speech to the Council the Financial Secretary revealed that the Government intends to start with a build an up-to-date airfield. Has this plan been decided and is this intended airfield meant to serve military purposes as well in case of war? Is it true that Britain has the intention to make Hong Kong a front line base against the Communists?

"The airfield proposals are at present under consideration in London. The airfield will be a civil airfield. Hong Kong is not a base or front line against anyone."

How long do you think the present rationing system will last and how would you account for the repeated increase in price of rationed rice and flour? "Rationing will have to continue so long as world shortages exist. The reason for the increase in price is the rise in cost in the producing countries."

Chiang Kai-shek has once said that China would negotiate for the restoration of Hong Kong. Has Britain any intention to part with this Colony?

"I came to Hong Kong for the express purpose of making myself familiar with conditions in the Colony and not to discuss matters of policy. You will not therefore expect me to answer this question."

The Territories

If not, what are her plans to establish relationships commercial and otherwise with China? "I do not understand this question since Great Britain and Hong Kong already have commercial and other relationships with China."

It has been revealed on several occasions that the Government has large schemes for comprehensive development of the New Territories. It seems little has been done as yet. Can you elucidate us on some of these plans?

"Quite a lot has already been done for the development in the New Territories but still more remains to be done. I suggest that you read the Governor's speech to Legislative Council on March 19, where he indicated what had been done and what it was proposed to do in the New Territories."

Trade with Japan has come to occupy the first place. Industrialists are of the opinion that influx of Japanese goods are a menace to local industries. Have you been aware of this problem?

"It is not correct to say that trade with Japan occupies first place in Hong Kong's trade. From what I have seen here I do not think that local industrialists have anything to fear from Japanese competition, provided that they can keep their prices in line with world prices."

Military Lands

What do you think of the future development of trade with Japan, Annam, Malaya and other regions? "I am all in favour of the development of trade between countries of the Far East."

The question of long leave, equal treatment and promotion of able staff to higher posts have been brought before you in your meeting with representatives of the Chinese civil servants. Can you enlighten us on some of the aspects of these questions?

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The Directors of the Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., announce that, subject to audit, they will recommend, at the forthcoming annual general meeting of shareholders, payment of a dividend of \$12.00 per share (less tax) in respect of the year 1947.

"These matters were fully considered by the Salaries Commission. I agree with the recommendations."

It was revealed a few months ago that negotiations were going on to turn over the military lands and the Royal Naval Yard to the civil authorities. Can you enlighten us as to how the matter is progressing?

"The question of the removal of the Naval Yard and of the Military Establishments from the centre of Victoria was postponed by the war. Discussions between Hong Kong Government and the local Naval and Military Authorities have been restarted."

After the re-occupation the British Government decided to allot a grant to Hong Kong Government of £100,000 for the further development of Hong Kong which was to take place in the next ten years; what is the position now?

Trade Unions

"The Hong Kong allocation from the Colonial Development and Welfare Fund is £1,000,000. Plans for about one half of this amount have already been forwarded by the Government of Hong Kong to the Colonial Office, where they are at present being examined preliminarily to their consideration by the Legislative Council in Hong Kong. These plans deal mainly with development in the New Territories. As regards the remaining half of the allocation, the Hong Kong Government is awaiting the report of Sir Patrick Abercrombie before it finalises plans for development in the urban areas."

Does your Lordship consider it necessary to make an alteration or amendment to the two Ordinances, legislated recently for the regulation of Trade Unions and the settlement of debts incurred during the occupation period, which have raised objection in the Chinese Community?

"I consider that the Trades Union Ordinance, which is based on the laws in the United Kingdom and other British Colonies, is fair and will be found of considerable benefit to workers. The debtor and creditor legislation took two years to work out after very full consideration. Unless therefore there were very strong reasons I should not favour altering it."

LORD LISTOWEL ENTERTAINED

The Earl of Listowel, Secretary of State for Colonial Affairs, was guest of honour at a cocktail party given at the Hong Kong Club last night by the Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce and the Chinese Chamber of Commerce. Lord Listowel was greeted on arrival by Mr. C. C. Roberts and Mr. Tung Chee-wei, Chairmen of the respective Chambers. Nearly 300 guests, members of the Chambers with their wives, attended.

Li Tak, who was convicted by Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Central yesterday for the larceny of a fountain pen from Mr. A. Z. Osborne, and who was remanded for 24 hours for his record to be produced was found to have a previous conviction for a similar offence and was sentenced to nine months imprisonment with a recommendation for banishment.

WOMAN JUROR OBJECTS TO SERVING IN SESSIONS RAPE CASE

Found guilty by a jury on a charge of having carnal knowledge of Wong Man, 36-year-old married woman, at 173 Pelho Street, ground floor, on Jan. 20, without her consent, Chan Cheung, 28, shop assistant, was yesterday sentenced by Mr. Justice T. J. Gould (Pulse Judge), to four years' imprisonment with hard labour.

Accused's wife, who testified on his behalf, explained that a packet of "luck money" containing 40 cents, a pair of artificial flowers and a piece of red cloth, given by her to complainant, were usually given, according to the custom of their district in China, to people who had been frightened by a dog or a pig.

Mr. J. Reynolds, assisted by Det. Insp. C. Dowman, conducted the case for the prosecution.

Before the jury was sworn in, Mr. Justice Gould drew the attention of the women members to the fact that the case was one of rape and that certain unpleasant details would be mentioned in the course of the hearing. He therefore enquired whether or not any of the women members would have any objection to serving. One woman member asked that she be exempted and the request was granted.

After the jury had been empanelled, a number of other women who had been summoned for jury service but had not been called remained in Court until completion of the complainant's testimony.

Given Package

In the course of his opening, Mr. Reynolds said that the complainant was a married woman, the 41-year-old wife of Pu Man-shing. She came to Hong Kong with her husband in Feb. 1947. She lived in a wooden shed in the backyard of 173 Pelho Street. Her husband earned a living in Shum Chun and visited Hong Kong once or twice a month.

On Jan. 19, complainant went to bed at about 10 p.m. and was awakened at about 4 a.m. the next morning by someone pressing on her. There were no lights at the time.

She tried to cry out, but the person pressing her told her to keep quiet and say nothing. She recognized the voice as that of accused. The alleged improper offence took place. After some five minutes, accused left and went to his own room. She followed him and shouted "Aunt, aunt!" but received no reply. She then returned to her own shed and went to sleep.

The next morning, she spoke to accused's wife concerning the incident and received a package containing 40 cents—"luck money"—a pair of artificial flowers and a piece of red cloth, symbols of apology for some wrong done. When her husband returned from Shum Chun on Feb. 8, she told him about it. At 9 p.m. the following day, a report was made to the Shamshuipo Police Station and accused was subsequently arrested.

Accused's Statement

On conclusion of the case for the Crown, accused (in the course of a statement from the dock) alleged that the offence took place with the consent of complainant. He also alleged that on two previous occasions, he had had improper relations with her. Accused further alleged that complainant had told him that her husband had no love for her and that was the reason why she desired intercourse with him. Complainant asked him for money from time to time.

Ting Luen, accused's wife, said that complainant asked her for "luck money" because she had been frightened when her husband fell down. It was customary in their district to give this "luck money" and the other items when a person had been frightened by a dog or a pig.

After the jury had returned their verdict, Mr. Justice Gould

asked accused whether he had anything to say. Accused asked for a fine or a light sentence.

Mr. Justice Gould, sentencing accused to four years' imprisonment with hard labour, said that this was a crime which, in the eyes of the law, could not be regarded as light enough to be met with a fine or a light sentence.

As he was being led from the dock, accused said that he would appeal.

P.I. Envoy In Colony

Mr. Joaquin M. Elizalde, Philippine Ambassador to the United States of America, was the guest of honour at a Tiffin given at the Cafe de Chine yesterday by Senator V. Madrigal.

Mr. Elizalde, who enjoys the distinction of being the first Philippine Ambassador to the United States, arrived by plane yesterday.

Among the large number of guests present were: Mr. D. M. MacDougall, Mr. George D. Hopper, Mr. E. D. Belas, Mr. Rene Guillemin, Mr. Samson Bunnag, Mr. E. E. Jober, Mr. Einar Ulstrup, Mr. Eduardo Brazao, Mr. C. Brookhart, Mr. Pedro Botelho, Mr. A. S. Adamson, Mr. W. M. Simmons, Mr. J. M. Morhaus, Mr. D. J. Gilmore, Mr. T. B. Wilson, Mr. F. Kendall, Mr. A. J. Eamond, Mr. Fred Simonsen, Mr. A. Carvalho, Mr. Alvaro da Roza, Mr. Ramon Faminian, Mr. W. E. Parrott, Mr. W. Richardson, Mr. V. Kendrick, Dr. V. N. Atienza and Mr. Reynaldo Laidizabal.

Students In Court

A fine of \$50 each was imposed on So Chichung and Chay Kach, students, when they appeared at Central Magistracy yesterday. First defendant was charged with allowing an unlicensed driver to drive his car and second defendant with driving without a licence. Both accused pleaded "Guilty."

Insp. G. N. Senior said that he was proceeding along Queen's Road when he saw a car in front of him travelling very slowly. It looked as though the driver was not quite in control. He stopped the car and asked defendant for his licence. He was given the licence of first accused who sat in the back of the car whilst second defendant was driving.

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Czechs To Go Through Motions

Prague, Mar. 22. M. Klement Gottwald, Communist Premier of Czechoslovakia, today confirmed that the Czechoslovak general elections would be held within the time fixed by law and in accordance with the regulations.

In an interview with an American press correspondent, quoted by the Czechoslovak news agency, he said that the elections would "say the last word on the events of February and would confirm the victory of the people and the defeat of reaction."

M. Gottwald said: "Those who expect strong opposition against the Government programme will be disappointed. No strong opposition can develop because the opposition elements have no hope of winning over the people's sympathies."

"We have, however, to reckon with a certain unconstructive and subversive opposition from those of whom our new order was rightly affected, the former capitalist landowners, persons compromised by collaboration with the Germans and so on."

"It is more than likely that this small section of the population will try to mar the success of our work,"—Reuter.

Soviets Tighten Up Guards

Berlin, Mar. 23. The Soviet military authorities in Germany have given instructions to tighten the frontier control along the border of the Zone, the French-licensed Berlin newspaper, Der Kurier, reported today.

Detachments manning the frontier posts from the Baltic to Fichtelgebirge, on the borders of Bavaria and Czechoslovakia, have been reinforced with new recruits, the newspaper reported.

A chain of blockhouses and huts has been built in the forest areas west of Magdeburg, in the Harz Mountains, and in Thuringia, and checks on trains in the frontier areas have been tightened up, the report said.—Reuter.



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Boycott Of "United Europe" Talks

Selsdon Park, Mar. 22. The International Socialist Conference here on the European recovery programme today unanimously decided to boycott the "United Europe" Conference at The Hague next May. It called a rival Congress of European Socialist Parties in Paris for April 25 to determine their policy and "coordinate their efforts towards a united Europe."

A joint declaration by the delegates from 14 European countries said: "The idea of European unity can only be saved from corruption by reactionary politicians if the Socialists place themselves at the head of the movement for its realization."

On the main subject of the Conference—the Marshall Plan programme—the joint declaration said it was urgent that a United States of Europe be established that the 16 nations concerned in the plan should "strengthen the existing common organization in Paris so that a collective policy may be presented to the United States Government."

The declaration called for the extension of international planning in Europe "if European economic independence is to achieve the necessary expression and not least to minimize the temptation to secession."

Colonies

Saying that European unity "cannot rest on economic factors alone," but must express "political and intellectual community," the declaration stated that the Spanish people were prevented from cooperating in the organization of European unity "only by the survival of the Franco regime."

The resources of overseas territories directly associated with Europe should be developed to the mutual advantage of Europe as a whole and of the peoples of the territories concerned," it added.

In view of Europe's economic interdependence, the declaration requested the refusal of Russia and of the Eastern European countries under her control to take part in the programme.

The declaration said ERP should remain open to the East European countries on the same terms as to the countries already taking part, and added: "The Conference notes with strong approval that the sponsors of European recovery aid in both

American parties agree that the administration must not interfere with the democratic rights of the European peoples to control and determine their own social and economic policies."

Harmonious

"The best machinery would be inadequate unless planned and controlled 'in the interests of the whole people and according to the principles of democratic Socialism.'"

Dr. Hugh Dalton, a member of the Executive Committee of the British Labour Party, who presided at the two-day Conference, tonight described the proceedings as "very harmonious."

"There were no deep divisions among us," he added.—Reuter.

Kidnapping Mysteries In Vienna

Vienna, Mar. 23. Another supposed kidnapping case in a series of mysterious disappearances of Viennese citizens was reported by newspapers here today.

M. Hubert Dollberger, a local official of the People's Party and district leader of the Association of Austrian Democratic Fighters for Liberty, was said to have been carried off by unknown foreigners in a motor car.

As is typical in these cases, M. Dollberger was served with an order to attend the local police headquarters to give evidence. He entered a car, which was driven off without trace.

The local police deny any knowledge of the case and the police order bore a forged stamp, the newspapers said.

All attempts to trace the missing men have failed completely.—Reuter.

Land Reforms In Czechoslovakia

Prague, Mar. 23. The Czechoslovak Parliament, fired with Communist enthusiasm, enacted a land reform measure at an extraordinary Sunday session.

Membership was increased by 245,735 in two weeks. There was no announcement of local membership, but that in Prague was given as 284,000.—Associated Press.

All land holdings in excess of 50 hectares are being confiscated. Landless peasants will be given an opportunity to acquire the excess acreage under favourable terms.

The set of new agricultural laws also reformed the system of land taxation and provided Government loans for small farmers. Communist legislators called the measure "the final victory of the peasants over the entrenched landlords."

Rudolf Slansky, General Secretary of the Communist party, told a party meeting at Moravská Ostrava that 95 percent of Czechoslovak industry will be nationalized in a matter of weeks.

He said legislation to provide nationalization of all undertakings employing more than 50 persons will be ready for Parliamentary consideration in two weeks. He predicted prompt passage.

Premier Gottwald's campaign to strengthen the Communist party brought in 55,597 new members, party headquarters announced on Sunday.

Maltese Govt. May Resign

London, Mar. 22. Falling a \$500,000 food subsidy by Britain from the end of this month, Malta's Socialist Government may resign and hand responsibility for running the island back to the British Government, informed quarters here said today.

The Colonial Secretary, Mr. Arthur Creech Jones, is expected this week to have discussions with Malta's Prime Minister, Dr. Paul Bugeja, who arrived in London last night to discuss the island's financial problems.

So far, no meetings have been arranged, and no decisions about Malta's problems have been taken by the British Cabinet.

Official quarters here said that, as a result, food prices and wages will rise and the island's economy be upset, including a plan to introduce income tax to finance social services.

It is suggested in some quarters that the setting up of an economic general staff in London, with representatives from Malta and the Home Government, may be proposed.

Official quarters disclaim any knowledge so far of this proposal.—Reuter.

Red Paper Accuses Holland

Moscow, Mar. 23. The Soviet trade union paper, Trud, today accused Holland of "sabotaging" the repatriation of Soviet citizens alleging that some displaced persons were being sent to Canada and Brazil after being "herded in slave markets."

The paper said: "Whenever the question of repatriation of Soviet citizens is taken up in a practical aspect, the Dutch authorities give assurances that they are doing everything in their power."

"But these are only words, and words."

"Alleging that Dutch Menonites (a minority Protestant sect) were responsible for recruiting Soviet citizens for work in other countries, Trud said they had set up a special camp for displaced persons in which men, 'torn away from their homeland, are herded as in old-time slave labour markets, to be sent to Canada, Brazil, Uruguay and other countries.'—Reuter.

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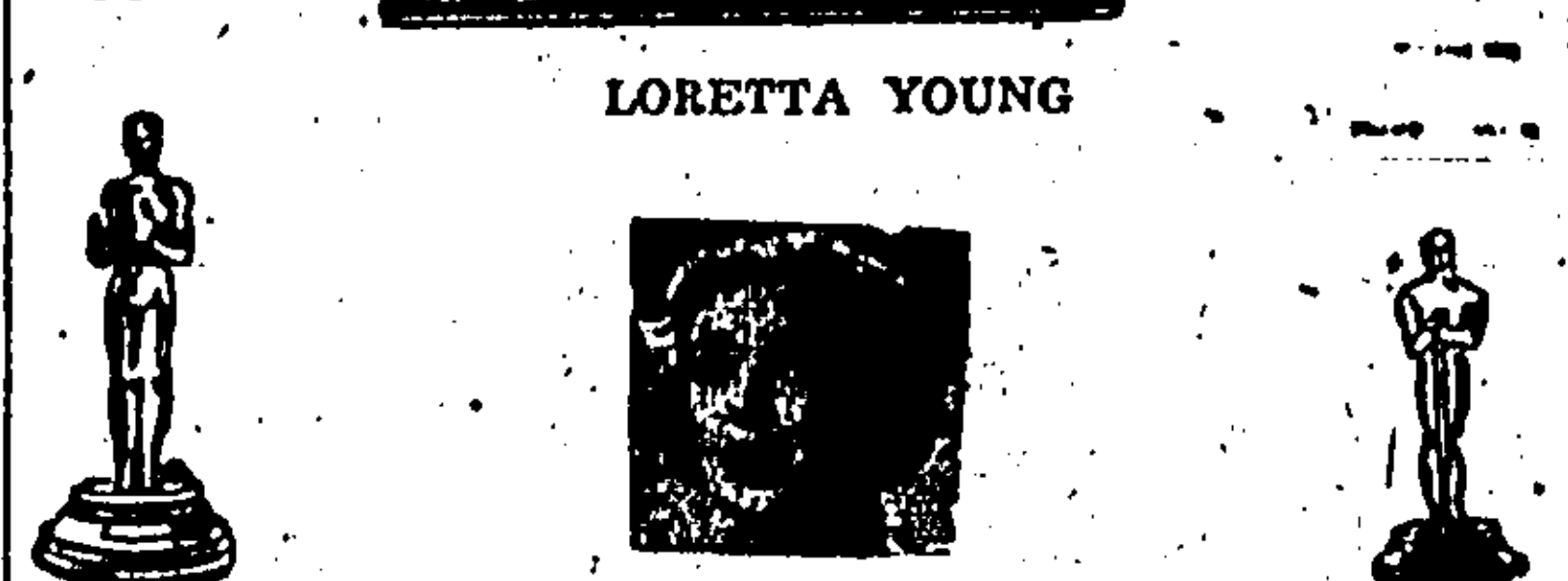
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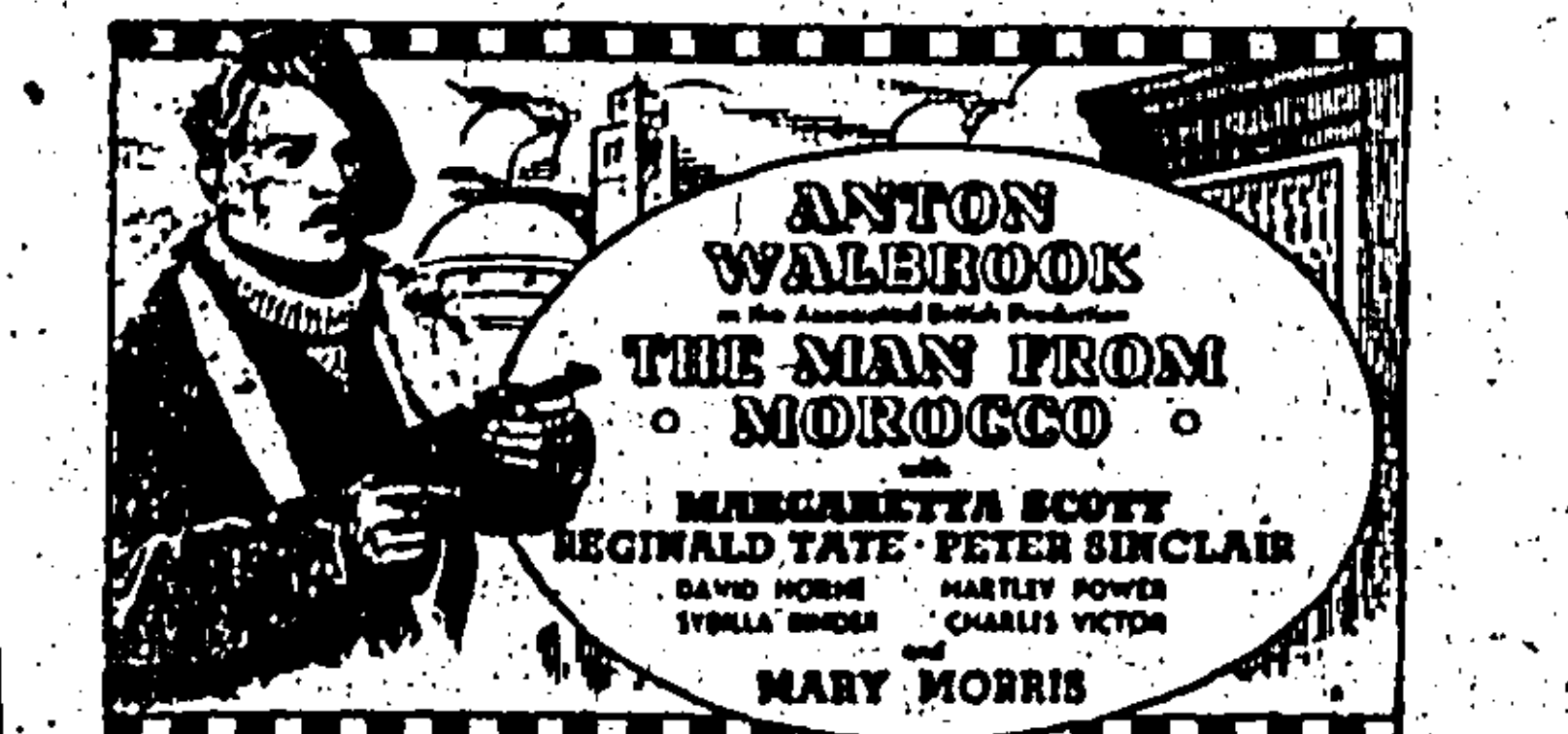
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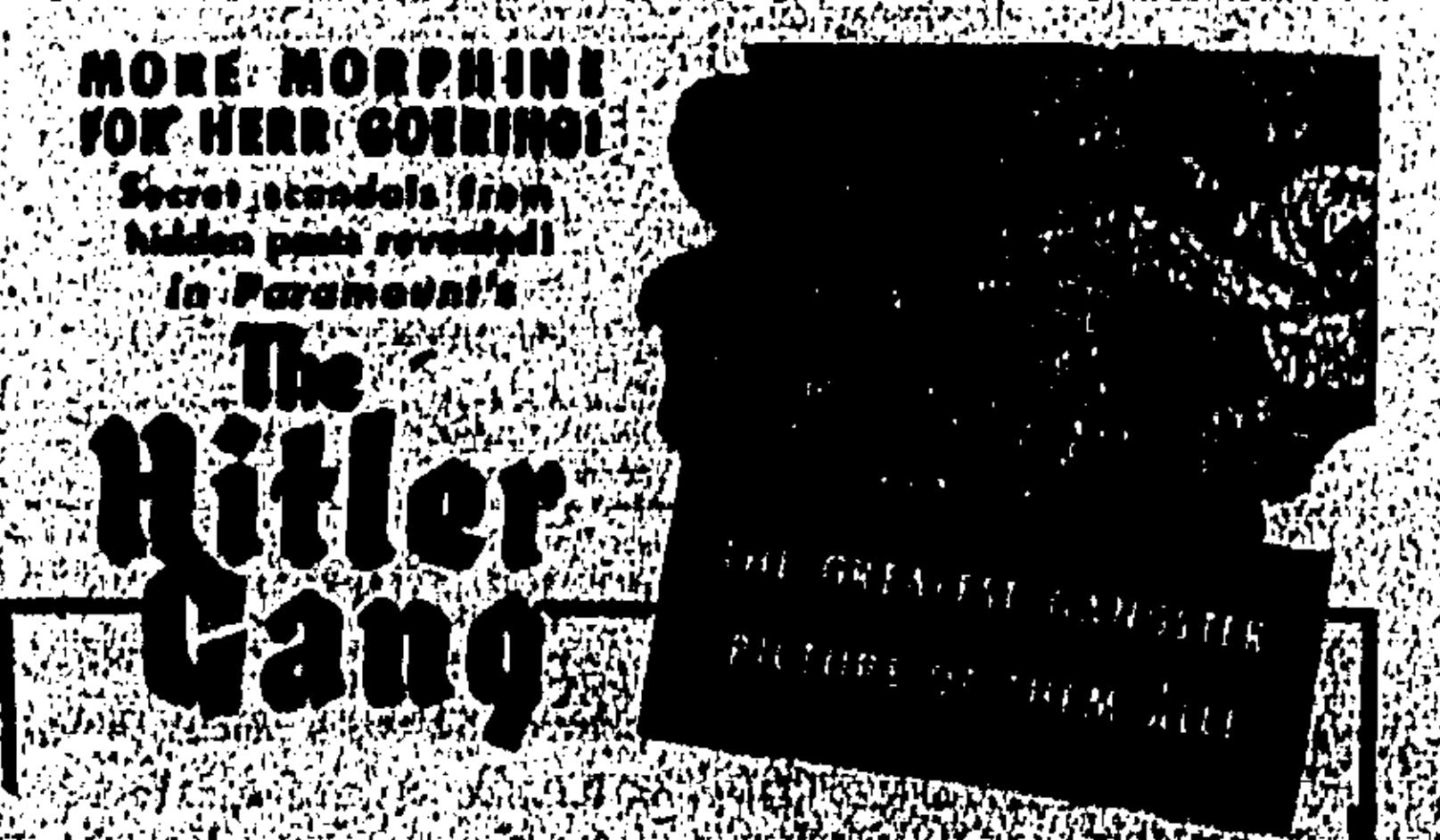
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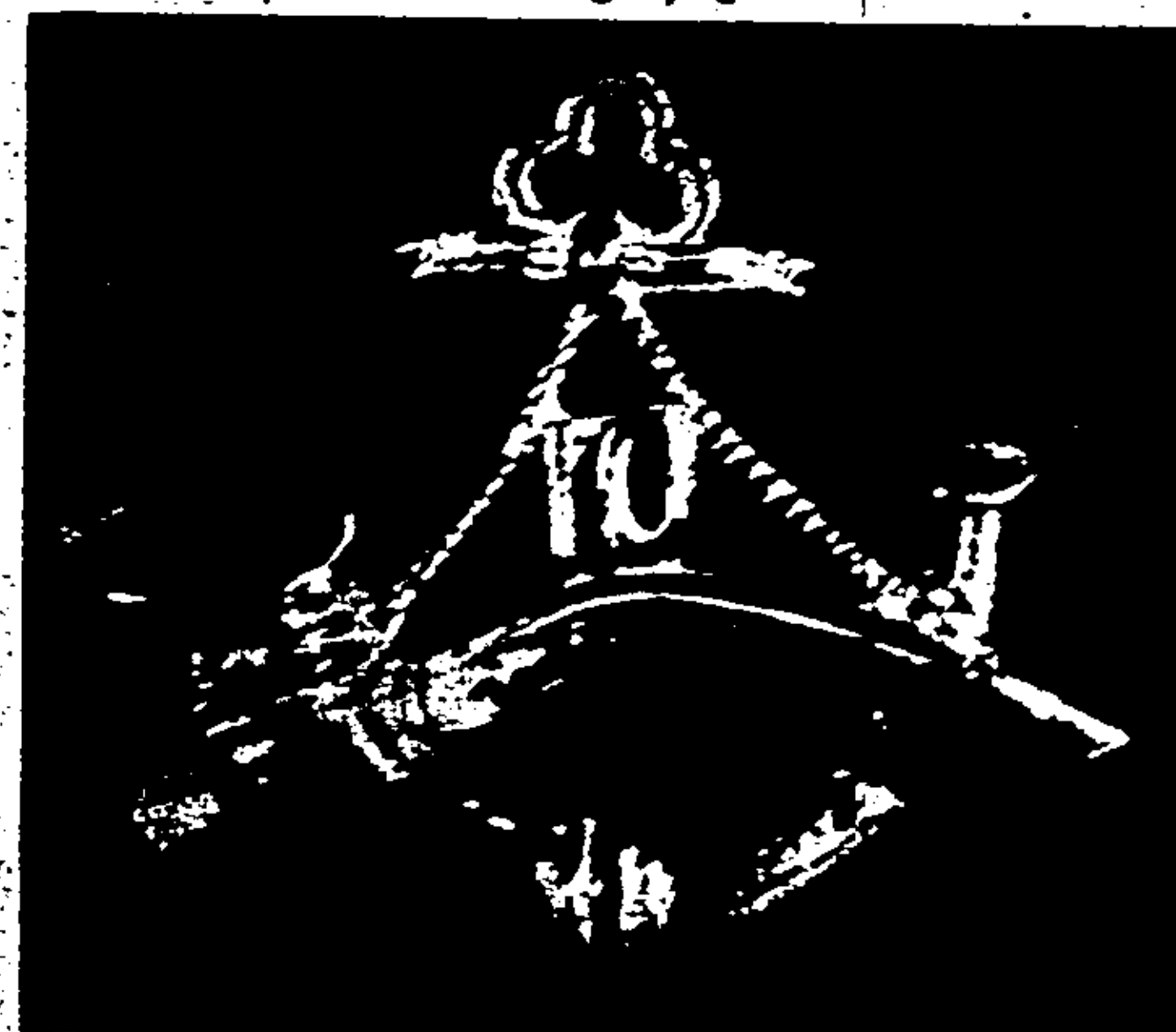
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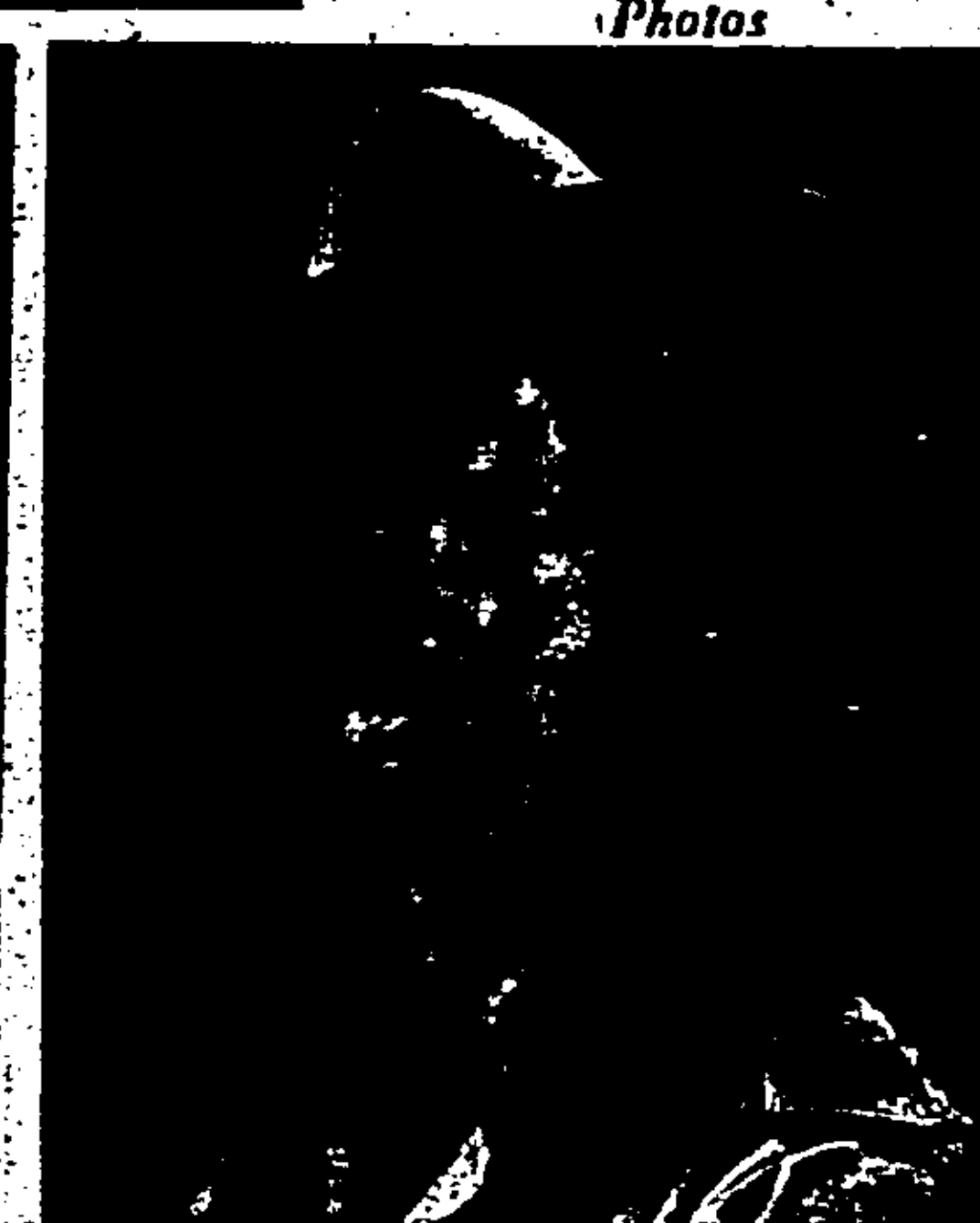
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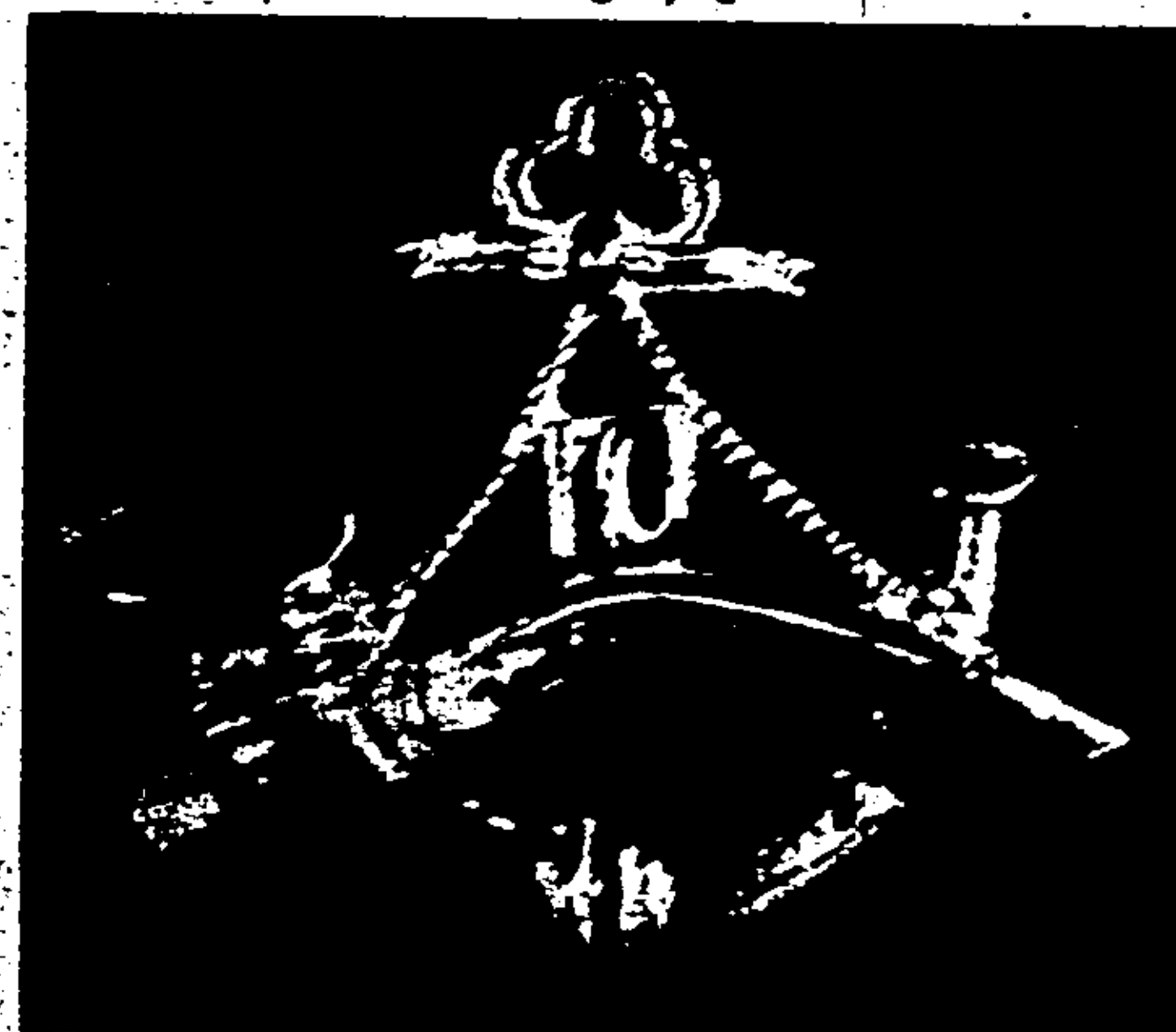
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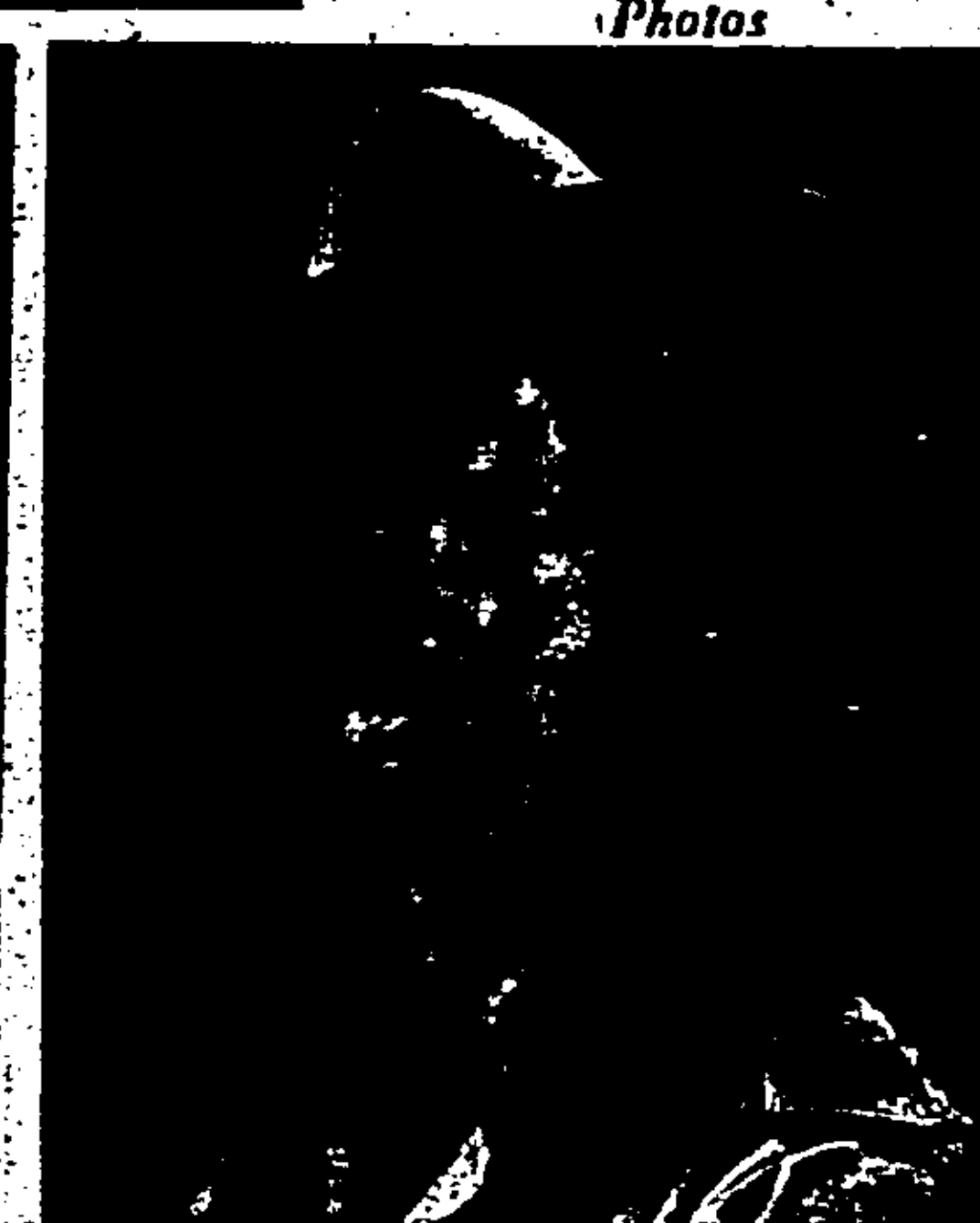
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The President of St. Patrick's Society, Mr. W. la Bart Sparrow (acting Commissioner of Police), the Vice-President, Sir Capt. T. N. d'Arcy, and Lt. Col. D. A. Shaw, D.S.O., M.C., Commanding Officer of the 1st. Battalion Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers, placed wreaths at the Cenotaph on St. Patrick's Day. (Francis Wu).



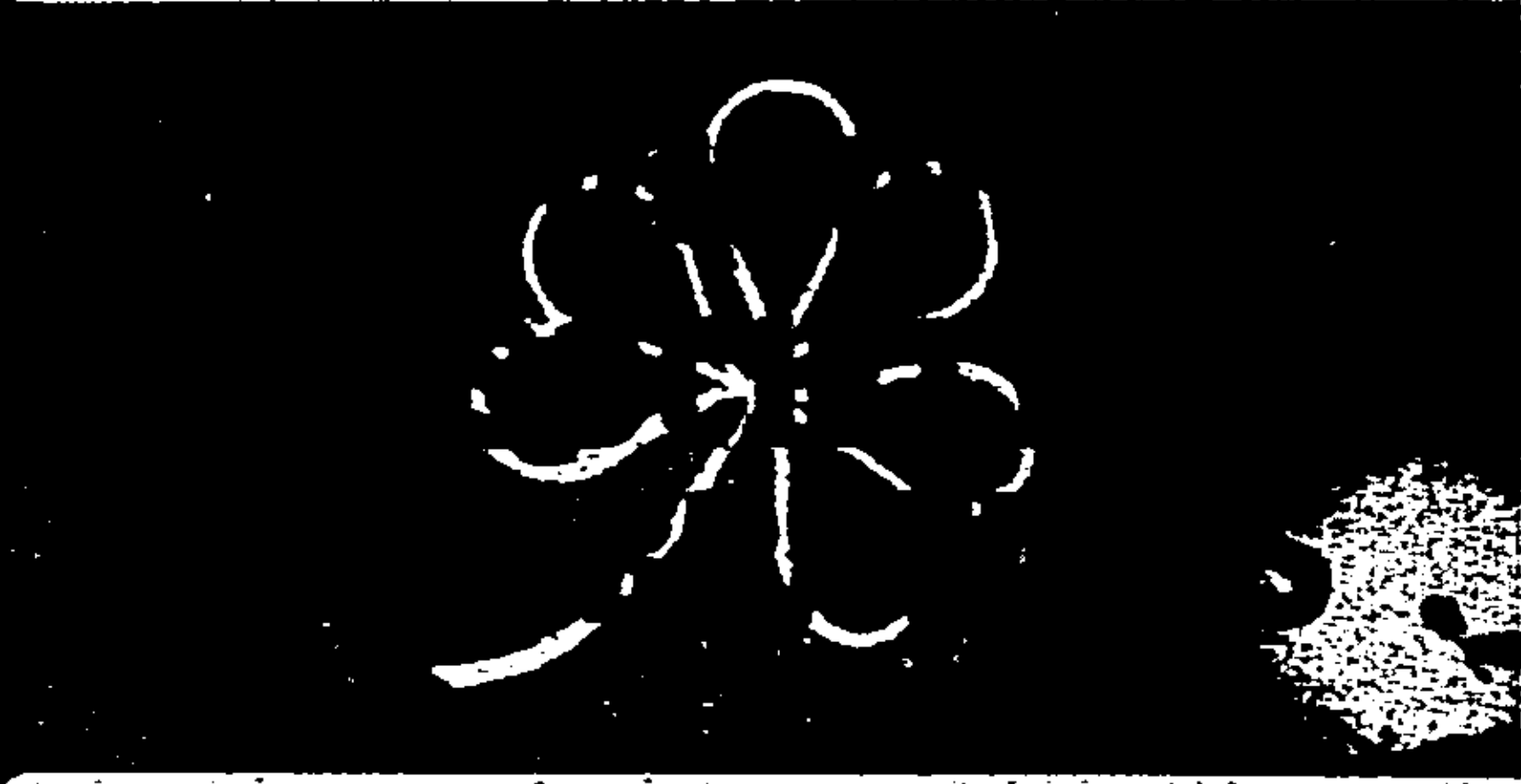
His Excellency the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, was among the distinguished guests at St. Patrick's Ball at the Hong Kong Hotel on Mar. 18. (China Mail Photo).



There was a distinguished gathering at St. Patrick's Ball. Included at the table in the photo above are Governor and Lady Grantham, and Major-General Erskine. (China Mail Photo).



Above is a picture of one of the many individual parties at St. Patrick's Ball. Among the seated at the table are Mr. and Mrs. W. Ramsey. (China Mail Photo).



Individual members of St. Patrick's Society entertained their friends at St. Patrick's Ball. Above is the party of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Cremo. Mr. Cremo is the Manager of the China Light and Power, Co. Ltd. (China Mail Photo).



The group photo above was taken at a dinner party at the Kam Loong Restaurant recently given by the Friesland Trading Co., Ltd in honour of Messrs. A. A. Bouwens and G. J. F. Staverman of Cooperative Condensfabriek Friesland, Leeuwarden, Holland. Among those present at the party were Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Bonnerman, and Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Allaye, besides the entire staff of the Friesland Trading Co.

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Below is the A.T.S. Independent Platoon of Headquarters, Land Forces, Hong Kong. The Officer Commanding the Platoon is Junior Commander B. Morgan, seated in the centre of the second row. (Gainsborough Studio).

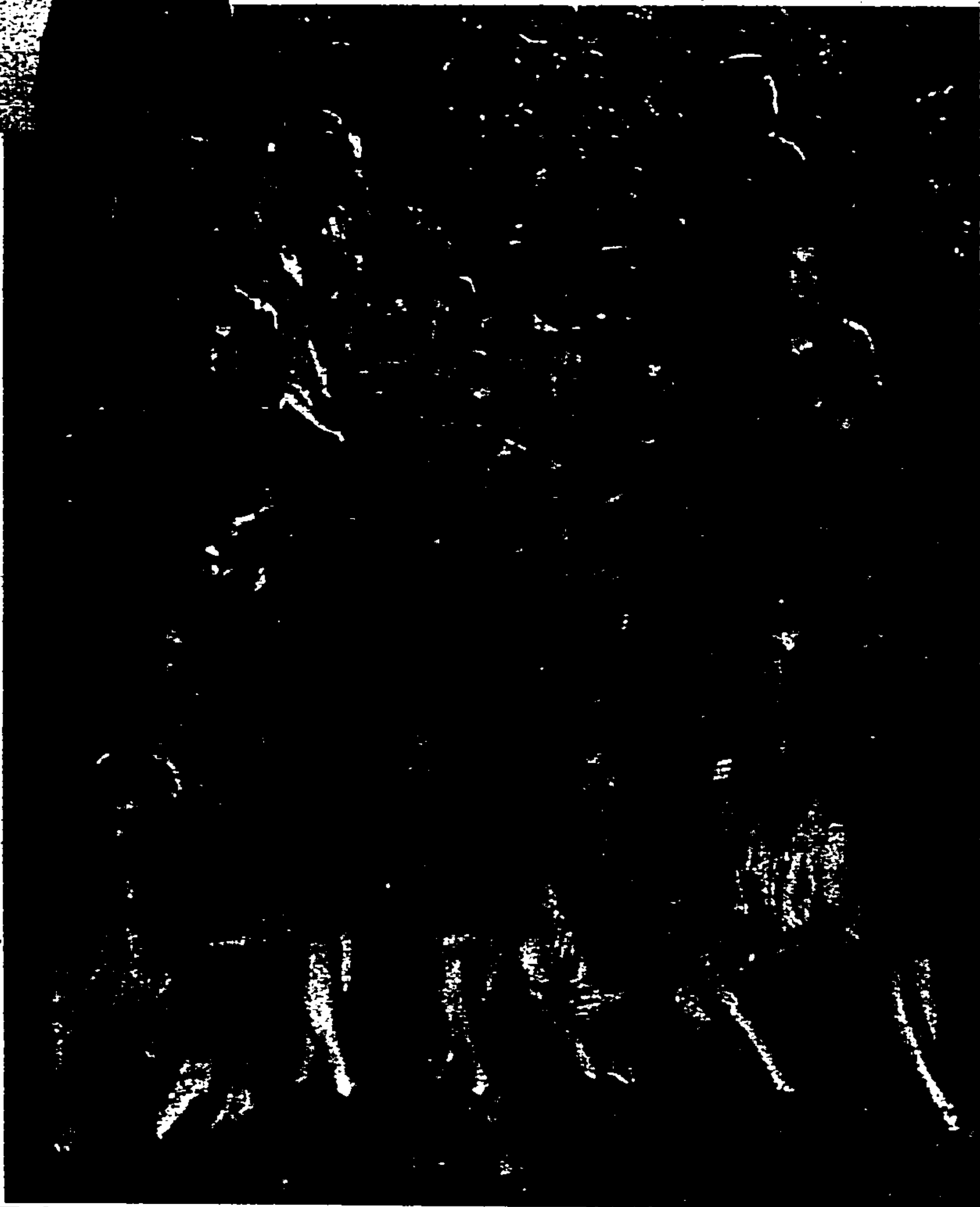


St. Patrick's Day celebrations in Hong Kong were featured by a ceremonial parade at Murray Barracks on Mar. 16 by the 1st Battalion Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers.

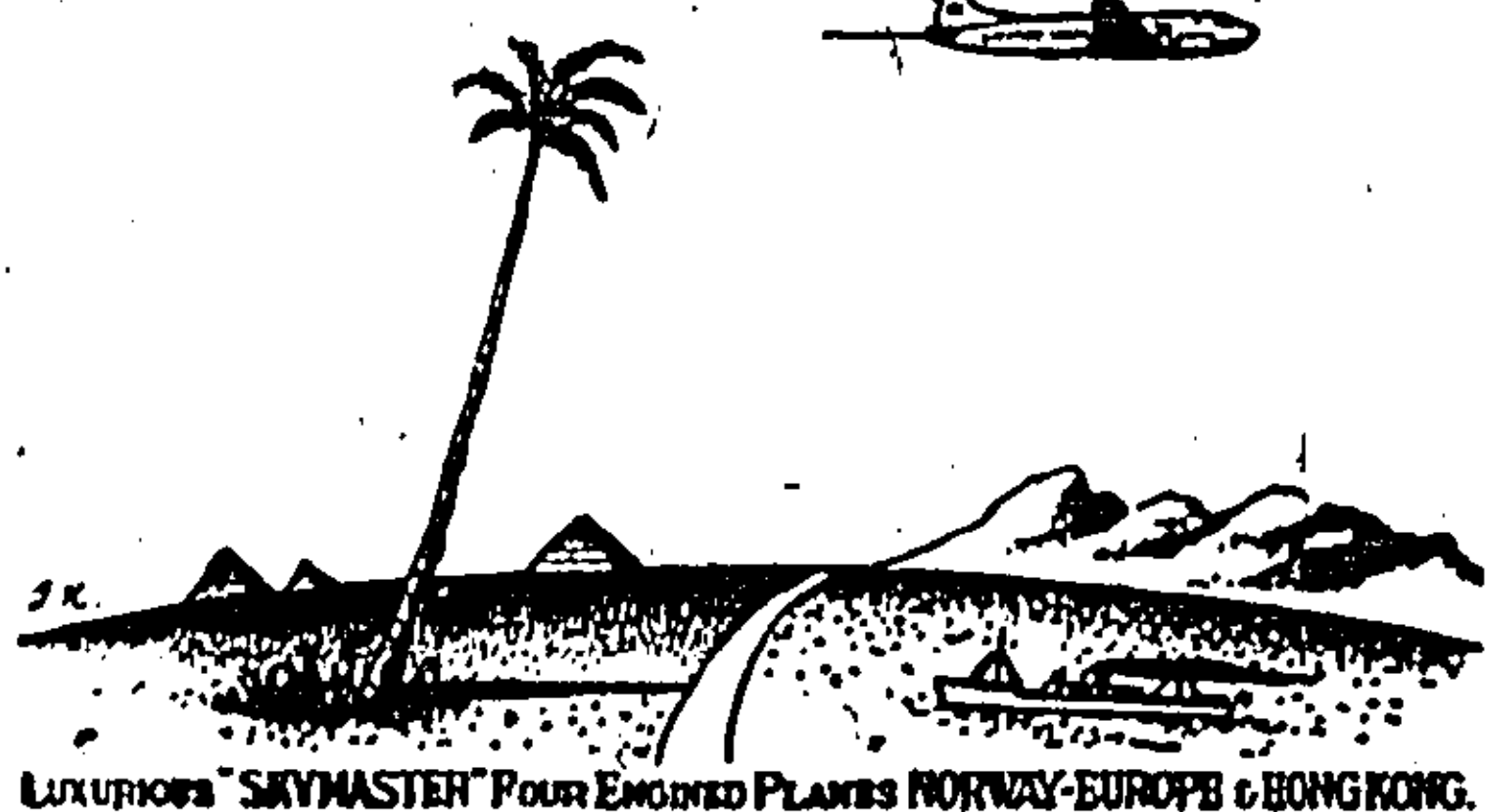
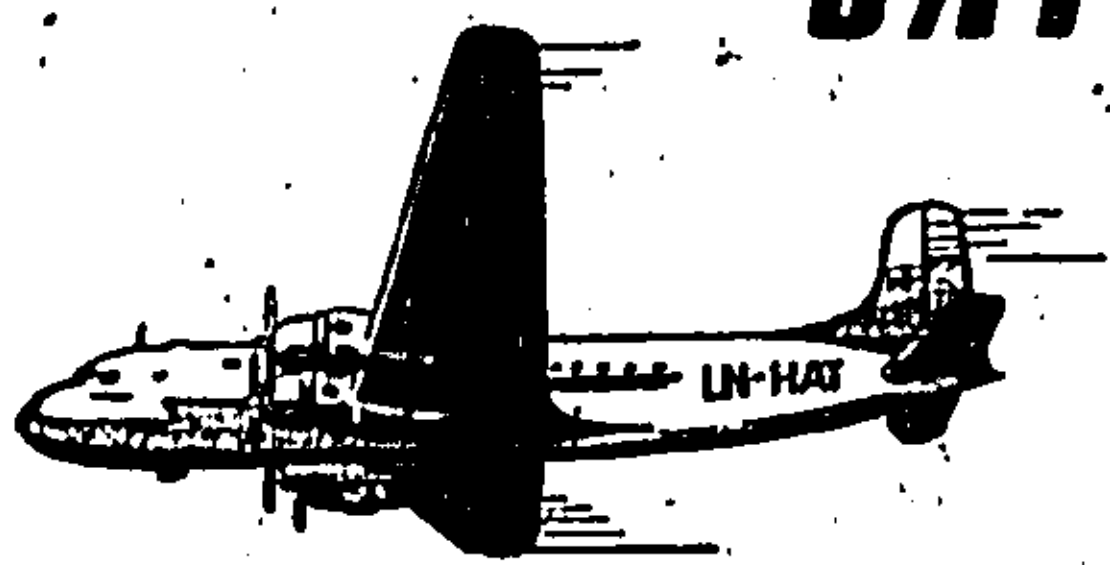
According to traditional custom, all the officers and men in the regiment received sprigs of shamrock. The G.O.C. Major-General G. W. E. J. Erskine is seen above distributing the sprigs to the officers.



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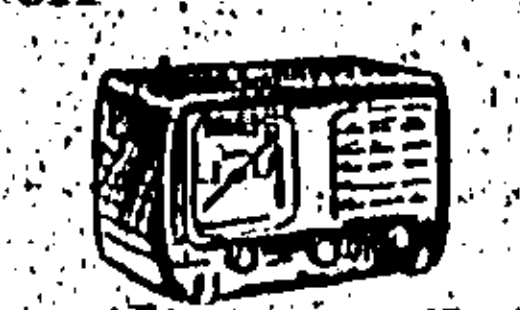
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Russians "Suspend Indefinitely" All Sub-Committee Meetings

Swift Rejoinder By General Clay

Berlin, Mar. 22.

The Soviet Union today announced the "indefinite postponement" of all sub-committee meetings of the four-power Control authority, and tomorrow's meeting of the Coordinating Committee, which means that her representatives have been withdrawn for the time being. United States officials declared afterwards that there were strong indications that the four-power Kommandatura, which controls the city of Berlin, would "break up soon" and that they expected the Russians to announce in the next few days that four-power rule of the city had ended.

Today's Russian announcement, which followed the Russian "walk-out" from Saturday's Control Council meeting, was made when the Soviet representatives failed to appear for a meeting of the Manpower Directorate at the Control Council headquarters.

It drew a swift rejoinder from the American occupation chief, General Lucius D. Clay, who said: "We came into Berlin by right and we have every intention of staying." Saying that it was still too early to tell what the Russians intended, General Clay added: "I do not imagine the history of the world will be changed very much if the Russians continue to keep out of four-power activities."

"The Allied Control authority in Berlin has not accomplished anything in the past year. I do not see how the Russians can block things more effectively by a postponement of meetings than they have done by attendance."

Point Statement

Shortly after the Russian announcement, it was learned that General Robertson had suddenly cancelled a press conference at which he had been expected to make a "very important statement" on the Russian "walkout". It was learned later that the conference was cancelled so that "concerted action" could be taken.

No individual statement by any of the Western Zone Military Governors will be made, it was learned. The first official reply will represent the attitude of all of them and will, in effect, be a "trifling statement of policy."

The German news agency, DPA, reported that General Robertson and his staff would hold a press conference here on Thursday afternoon.

Withdrawal?

In London, diplomatic observers believed tonight that the Soviet authorities may shortly demand the withdrawal of the three Western Allies from Berlin on the ground that the four-power Control machinery has now lapsed.

British officials in London were unwilling to forecast, but observers considered that matters will be brought swiftly to a head by today's Soviet decision to postpone meetings of the four-power Control Council in Berlin as well as the meeting of the important Coordinating Committee due tomorrow.

If the Soviet Government intends to make continued functioning of the four-power machinery conditional on a retraction from the provisional conclusions reached by the Western Allies at the London Conference on Germany last month, then the Berlin Control Council will already have met for the last time, observers believed.

No Decision

A high Soviet official in Berlin stated tonight that no decision had yet been reached on whether Russia would definitely withdraw her representatives from the four-power Control Council.

For the moment, he said, officers could not attend Control meetings as announced earlier today "because of pressure of work."

Soviet administration officers at Karlshorst, Soviet headquarters in Eastern Berlin, have been in constant communication with Moscow all today.

British officials in Berlin considered the situation was more serious today than on Saturday, when Marshal Vassili Sokolovsky, the Soviet Military Governor, abruptly adjourned and walked out of the Control Council meeting.

But in Soviet and Communist circles, it was felt the time had not yet come for a breach with the West in Berlin.

Good Argument

British Control Commission officials thought it possible the Soviet might want to keep the Control Commission machinery alive until the "currency reform" issue came to a head.

A break on so clear cut an issue would provide a far better legal argument for the Russian than the refusal of the Western Allies to discuss the London talks on which Saturday's "walkout" was based.

Reports of further tightening of Soviet controls on the "long" social frontier, stretching from Czechoslovakia to the Baltic, to prevent exodus of Germans from the East into the British and American Zones have just reached Berlin.

Leading United States officials in Berlin tonight interpreted Russia's withdrawal from the four-power government of Germany as either an attempt to tighten the British and American's from bringing the French into the Berlin as at a blockade, to

Russia's establishing a separate Eastern German state.

Provocative

One highly placed American official said he did not believe the Russians were yet ready for a final break and therefore he believed it was a "preventive measure" to halt the steps the British and French might be planning to take.

It was not felt in American circles, however, that four-power Government would continue for more than a few months longer.

While the Russians' withdrawals were in each case, termed a "postponement" rather than a cancellation, it was believed the Soviet authorities would be prepared by mid-summer to make in whatever form

Ready For Talks With Italy

Belgrade, Mar. 22.

Yugoslavia has agreed to negotiate on the Trieste question directly with Italy on the facts of the recent Tito-Togliatti talks. The announcement was made by the Yugoslav Foreign Minister, M. Stanoye Simic, at a special press conference.

M. Simic said his Government was ready to reopen the talks "in the spirit and on the basis of the talks between Marshal Tito and Signor Palmiro Togliatti (the Italian Communist leader)."

These talks, which took place 16 months ago, ended in an offer by Marshal Tito to incorporate Trieste into Italy if Yugoslavia were given Gorizia, situated to the north of the Free Territory, in return.

The Yugoslav Foreign Minister told a special press conference that while Yugoslavia had agreed at the peace conference to the establishment of the Trieste Free Territory in the interest of peace, she has always felt that internationalisation would mean internal discord.

Accusation

The Minister accused the Anglo-American military administration in the Free Territory of having poisoned relations between the two neighbours while the Western powers prevented the appointment of a Governor and so made impossible at least some sort of normalisation of conditions in Trieste.

S. Simic said that, despite this, Yugoslavia remained con-

vinced that Yugoslav-Italian relations could be improved provided the two Governments set about the task "with courage and only the interests of their own people and those of peace at heart."

He affirmed that Yugoslavia was ready to negotiate with any Italian Government regardless of what political colour.

Warmongering

M. Simic also assailed what he termed the warmongering campaign in Italy against Yugoslavia. He said this was part of the election campaign. He asserted that certain Italian circles, inspired by the United States, spread alarmist rumours such as troops concentrations, the creation of submarine and rocket bases, and mobilisation in Yugoslavia.

"Foreign reactionary circles, with the American reactionaries at their head, are doing this because they know that every step toward a rapprochement between the people of Yugoslavia and of Italy threatens their position by means of which they are trying to establish dominion over Italy and exercise a decisive influence on its fate."—Reuter.

FINNS IN RUSSIA

Moscow, Mar. 22.

The Finnish delegation to negotiate a mutual aid pact with Russia arrived here today and was greeted at the railway station by M. Andrei Vyshinsky, Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister.

Members of the Finnish delegation were received by M. Molotov in the evening.—Reuter.

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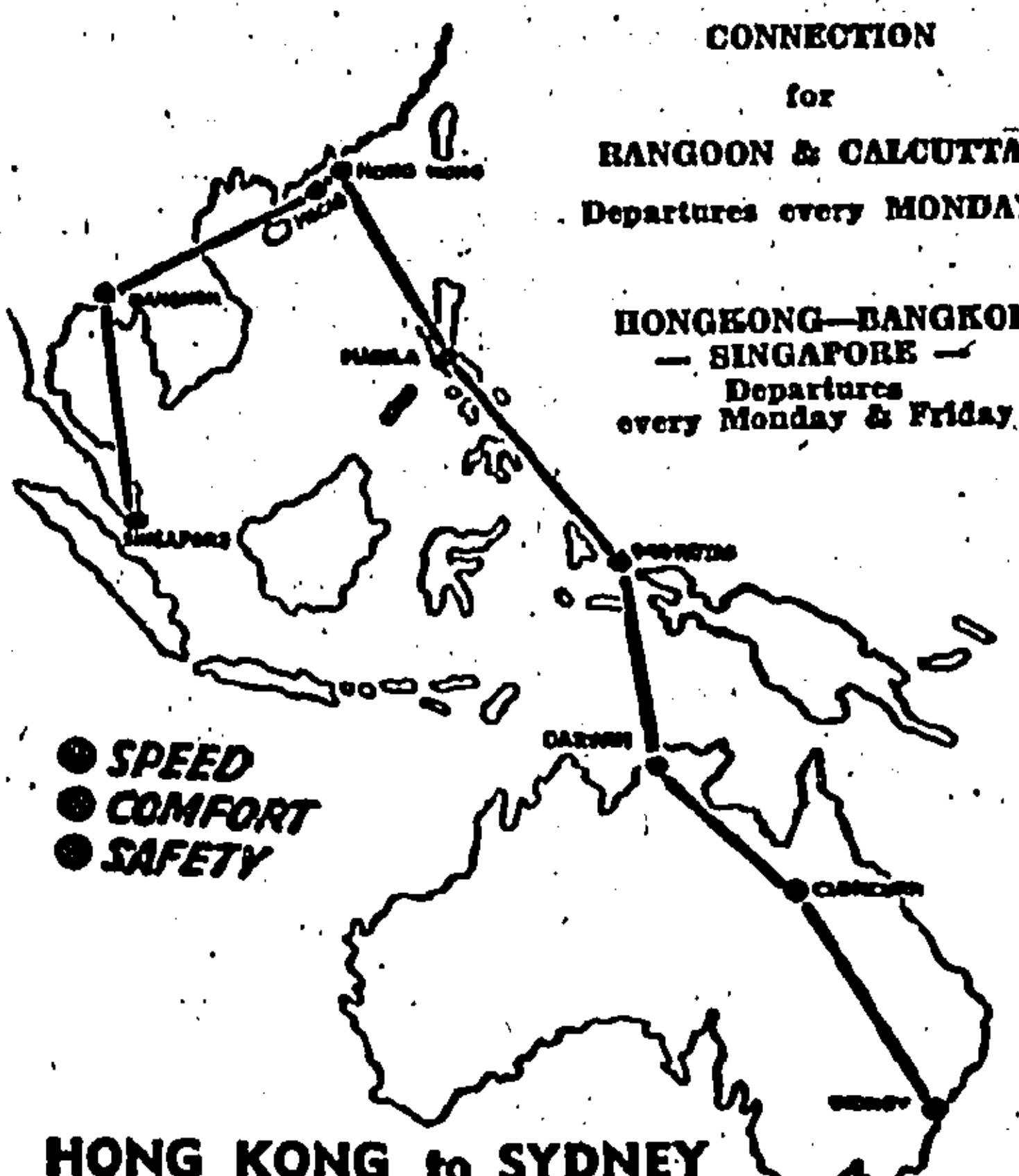
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If UNO Survives It Will Be A Miracle

New York, Tuesday. UNO is lying down and dying right before the eyes of 140,000,000 Americans. But if there is a doctor in the house he hasn't been heard from. The patient is suffering from shock, exposure, malnutrition, and sheer neglect. Today the pulse is almost imperceptible, the eyes glassy, the tongue lolling.

If UNO survives it will be a miracle. It is a chronic invalid, and no one apparently wants to treat it, operate, or even put a soothing hand on its forehead.

The responsibility for the sickness of UNO is, of course, that of all the member nations, but it is chiefly Russia's, America's, and Britain's.

Here there is little faith left in the Organization. It is described as powerless and hopeless. Some politicians are even suggesting a new international "supreme council" outside UNO.

Ike Is Silent

In Washington, which Frank Owen and I visited for three days this week, there is polite reluctance to talk about the United Nations.

The politicians, instead, speak of politics. There are some who think President Truman will be dumped, that although he is titular head of the Democratic Party he will be asked not to run.

Rebels in the party want him to stand down on the ground that the Democrats cannot possibly win with the present President as standard bearer.

They are trying to persuade General Eisenhower to reconsider his decision not to hold himself available. But Ike is silent, and the Republicans, sniffing victory, are so beyond themselves that they imagine they can win with a cipher.

While we were in the capital we lunched at the Embassy with the British Ambassador, Lord Inverchapel, who is retiring. The Ambassador talked of his days in Russia, paid tribute to the strength and poise and humour of Stalin when he knew him, and described stories of the Soviet leader's alleged ill-health as being unlikely.

Washington appeared rather listless and depressed. Residents there are not allowed to vote or to stand at bars, which might be the reason. The gayest place is the National Press Club, where the Editor and I expended some time and energy.

The passage of the Marshall Plan is considered a hundred to one certainty by everyone who knows anything in Washington. Only the merest handful of isolationists are muttering that there will always be an England so long as the United States is here to finance it.

The capital's confident tip for the Presidency is Senator Arthur Vandenberg, an enlightened internationalist in recent years, ex-newspaper publisher, fine orator, and the most respected man in the Republican Party.

Fears of a financial crash in the United States have vanished along the Potomac. Washingtonians think prosperity is here to stay.

The most discussed book in the capital is "Jim Farley's Story: The Roosevelt Years," a bitter, biased volume on which the Chicago Tribune correspondent collaborated. It sets out to prove that Roosevelt was a petty politician, but merely demonstrates that Farley is a disappointed man.

It is unfortunate that more than two years after Roosevelt's death the vicious attacks on him continue.

Unfair To The Fair?

We were glad to get back to the daze and excitement of New York. The city is all action and colour, and the pace seems to get faster each week. Over the week-end there were clashes between the police and Red demonstrators in Times-square as sidewalk crowds yelled: "Throw the Commies out; lock the lunatics up." No damage was done except to people's feelings.

There has been an avalanche of social events. We gave Frank Owen a big send-off at the Daily Mail office the other night. Over 100 newspapermen, actors, and actresses turned up, including most New York editors and columnists.

Smashers Or Flops Hollywood specialists engaged in discovering what's wrong with entertainment now come up with the assertion that there is no longer such a thing as average business. The box-office is either terrific or terrible. Films are either smash hits or frightful flops.

The public will no longer flock to mediocre pictures, however great the name of the star. The lesson, therefore, is to improve the quality of the celluloid.

Hollywood need not have hired experts to discover that. It has been a bad week on Broadway for the British. J. B. Priestley's "The Linden Tree" was brutally manhandled by the critics and folded last Saturday night after less than a week's run.

Noel Coward's revival of "Tonight at 8.30" is also due to close soon, after savage notices which said the wit, dialogue, and situations had worn badly.

By contrast there are glowing reports from London of the success of Mae West and other American performers.

All On Television

Most showmen are still putting their money hopes on television.

to statistics—not that I've noticed it.

Stripteasing is creeping back into Manhattan after years of prudery. Baroque is booming along Fifty-second Street, where the posters are bringing in the dollars.

Arthur Rank arrives tomorrow, and along with some hundreds I am invited to interview the magnate.

The latest suggestion to solve the tax deadlock is 25 per cent freeze, 25 per cent transference to the U.S. and 50 per cent levy.

Mary Pickford plans a large-scale production of films in England with all-American casts. She is one of the shrewdest women in the show business.

The Next Subject

Alfred Hitchcock and Sidney Bernstein sail at the month's end to make "Under Capricorn," starring Ingrid Bergman. Individual Pictures David Pursall dropped in from a round-the-world tour to say that Jean Simmons, who has been on location in the Fiji Islands, is a sensation in "The Blue Lagoon."

Judy Canova is the latest star to be offered many thousands of dollars to appear at London's Palladium.

Most publicised new actress here is Italia Vaili, who is something very special in looks and talent.

Hollywood says leap year is the time when girls look on the bride side of life.

CZECH EX-MINISTERS ARRESTED

Prague, Mar. 22.

M. Jan Sramek, former Czech Vice-Premier, and M. Hala, former Minister of Posts, were arrested yesterday while trying to leave Czechoslovakia illegally by air, it was officially announced here tonight.

They were arrested on Sunday in the "Aero Club" airfield, according to a Ministry of the Interior announcement while waiting for a foreign aircraft which, with the help of diplomatic officials of a "certain foreign power," was to take them abroad secretly.

The plane circled over the airfield but did not land because a group of "Sunday volunteers" was working nearby.

Large sums of Czechoslovak and foreign money were found on the two men.

The Action Committee of the People's Party (Catholic) today decided to expel M. Sramek, its former Chairman, because of his "attempt to flee abroad."

M. Hala was expelled from the People's Party on March 6.

Both 77-year-old M. Sramek and 54-year-old M. Hala were among the eight Ministers whose resignations brought the Czech crisis to a head last month.

During the second World War, M. Sramek was Premier of the Czech Government in exile in London.

It was planned to use a special plane of foreign origin which would pick them up from a civilian airfield at Rakovník, about 50 miles north west of Prague, the official announcement said. Normally, it was to be expected that the rarely-used airfield would be deserted on a Sunday and that a foreign plane could land and take off again without being stopped. But when they arrived this Sunday, they found the airfield full of activity because of the national extra-days work requiring all Czechoslovaks to treat Sunday as a working day, the announcement added.—Reuter.

Benes' Relative

Passau, Mar. 23. American authorities said today that a chemist claiming to be a distant relative of Dr. Eduard Benes, President of Czechoslovakia, had arrived in Germany.

American agents said that the man, who identified himself as Vladimir Benes, said he was a fifth or sixth cousin of the President.

"End Of The British Empire"

London, Mar. 22.

The Daily Express today forecast the "end of the British Empire" if a plan alleged to be under consideration by Washington's State Department, for the United States to take over Britain's economic responsibilities in Australia, India, New Zealand and Egypt, goes through.

The Daily Express said the New York Times had indicated the existence of such a plan. The Express attacked the Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, and most of his colleagues, for having "damaged" the sterling area.

The paper also indicated that because of this, South Africa was moving towards a separate monetary system.

"The New York Times forecasts a now and terrible price that Britain will have to pay for the proposed second injection of dollar aid," the Daily Express editorial said.—Reuter.

Brussels Treaty Suggestion

London, Mar. 22.

The Government today rejected a suggestion that the signatories of the Brussels five-power treaty should promise each other immediate aid against an "armed insurrection directed to the overthrow of the participating countries."

The suggestion, prompted by the coup in Czechoslovakia, was made in the House of Commons by squadron-leader Patrick Donner, Conservative.

Mr. Christopher Mayhew, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, replied that none of the signatories—Britain, France, Belgium, Holland and Luxembourg—had at any time suggested that such arrangements would be useful.

Asked whether the lack of such an undertaking was not a serious omission in the Brussels treaty, Mr. Mayhew said that he did not think the problem was as simple as suggested.

He thought it would be within the treaty provisions for a country to bring such questions immediately to the Consultative Council. The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, had all these points of issue in mind.—Reuter.

FOOD DUMPS SEIZED

Berlin, Mar. 22.

The German police arrested 200 black market buyers and seized five large food dumps in a surprise raid on the orders of the Soviet Command.

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Berlin, Mar. 22.

The British Permanent Under-Secretary of State, Sir William Strang, formerly political adviser to the British Military Governor-General Sir Brian Robertson, arrived in Berlin today.—Reuter.

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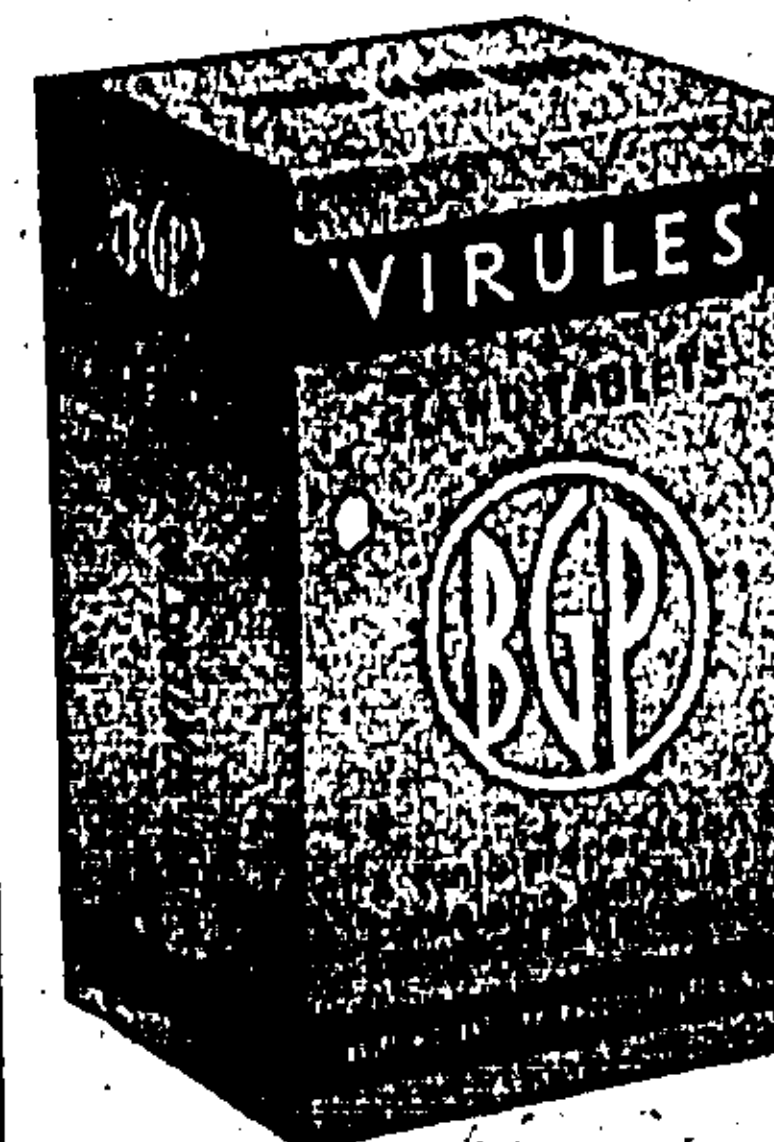
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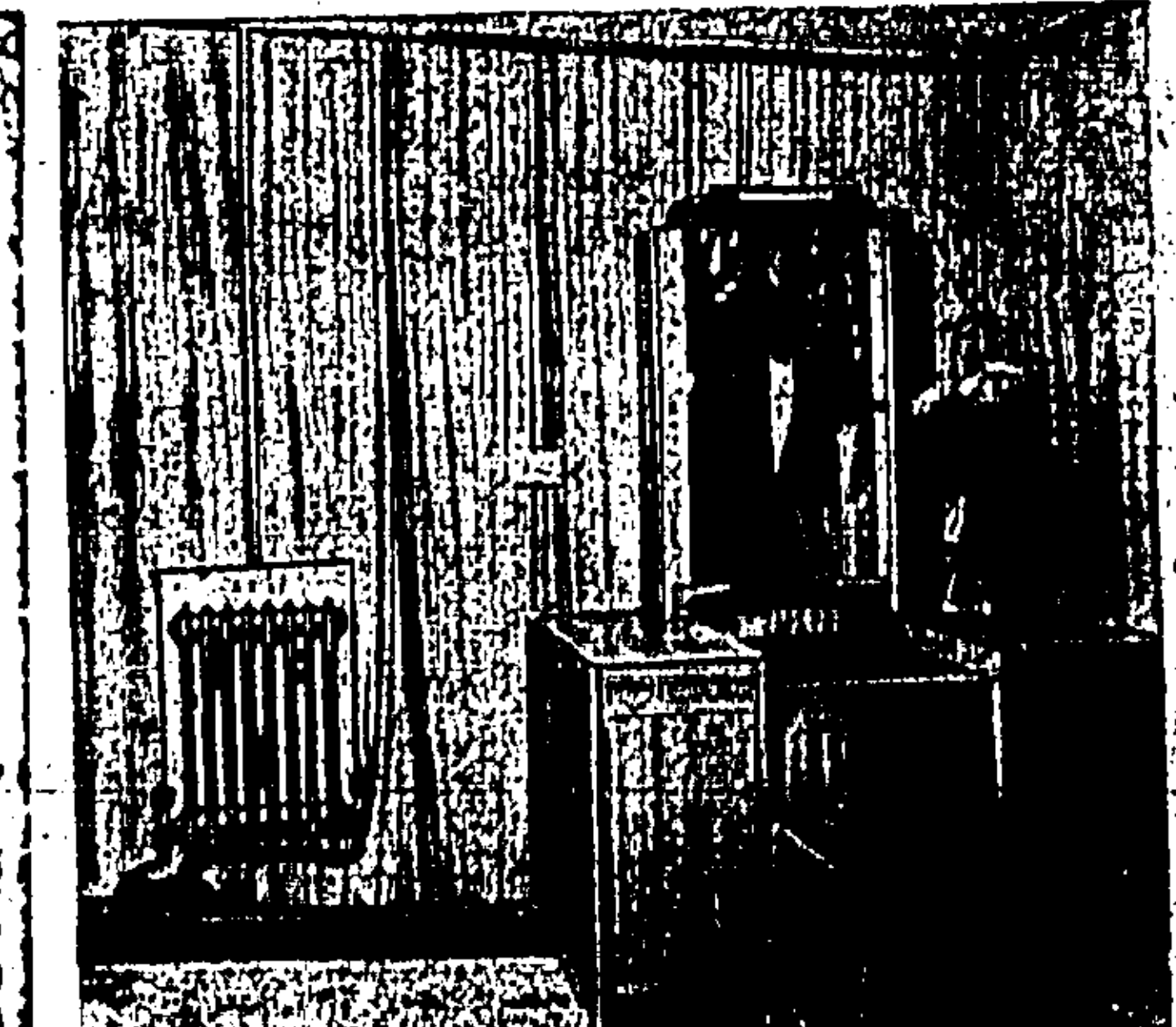
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YUGOSLAV GOVT. PROTESTS
Accuses Three Powers Of "Poisoning Her
Relations" With Italy
-Opposition Voiced To
Trieste ProposalLondon, Mar. 22.
Yugoslavia today protested "most energetically" against the British, American and French proposal to return the Free Territory of Trieste to Italy and accused the three powers of "poisoning relations" between her and Italy.

Coming less than 48 hours after the three Western powers had announced their proposal in a surprise move a month before Italy's general elections, the protest was contained in a seven-point note handed by the Yugoslav Foreign Minister, M. Stanoye Simic, to the British, French and United States Ministers in Belgrade.

Protesting "most energetically" against the way in which the three governments raised the question of revision of the Italian peace treaty concerning the fate of Trieste, the note said:
"The Yugoslav Government protests against the fact that while it was necessary to obtain Italy's consent, it was not deemed necessary to obtain the consent of Yugoslavia, the Allied country most concerned."
"This method of procedure leads to the supposition that the aim of the proposal is not to find the best solution of the Trieste problem and the regularisation of relations between the peoples of Southern Europe, but that it is in the nature of propaganda and does not conduce to the consolidation of world peace."

The note accused the three Western powers of having "systematically prevented the Security Council from reaching an agreement on the selection of a Governor for Trieste", as provided for under the United Nations statute for the Free Territory of Trieste.

"Chauvinists"

It also said the Anglo-American military administration in Trieste had poisoned the relations between Yugoslavia and Italy by "giving full reign to Italian Fascist and Chauvinist elements", had prevented a settlement in Trieste, and had set up a "military totalitarian regime by popular participation".
Yugoslavia maintained that the advancing of such a proposal during the Italian electoral campaign "can only serve to support a Chauvinist hatred against the peoples of Yugoslavia and poison internal relations in Italy."

The Italian Government today sent messages to the British, United States and French Governments accepting their proposal for returning Trieste to Italy.

Count Sforza, the Italian Foreign Minister, announced in a broadcast speech Italy's acceptance of the proposal and her thanks to the three Western powers.—Reuter.

Finnish
Police
Tainted?Helsinki, Mar. 22.
Four Right Wing parties addressed a question to the Government today, hinting that the Finnish police were being heavily infiltrated, presumably by the Communist Party although the parties failed to name those responsible.

The groups which supported the question were the Agrarians, Conservatives, Liberals and Swedish People's Party.

The question was: Is the Government aware of the effort made to exchange police staff and make promises on grounds of the political opinion of those concerned and that police authority to a great extent has been given to people who do not belong to the regular police?

The Communist Party holds the country's interior portfolio.

Meanwhile, it was learned that the Prime Minister, Mr. Mauno Pekkala, suffering from a bad ear inflammation, had been examined by two leading specialists, who told him he would not be able to join the delegation in Moscow until late this week at the earliest.—United Press.

Easter
Leave
SuspendedCopenhagen, Mar. 23.
Defence Minister Rasmus Hansen said today that Easter leave had been suspended for a part of Denmark's young military officers and non-commissioned officers.

Danish police recently have reported a number of thefts of weapons from Home Guard depots all over Denmark.

Guards at all military and naval establishments have been doubled since last Saturday, it was learned.

An authoritative source said the action was taken because of the internal political situation. "Another source said the order applied to all cadets and NCOs."—Associated Press.

London, Mar. 22.
Choirs from South America and many European countries have entered for this year's International Music Festival opening at Llangollen, Denbighshire, Wales.—Reuter.Bidault Confers
With De GasperiTurin, Mar. 22.
M. Georges Bidault, French Foreign Minister, who, on Saturday, disclosed here the Allied proposal to revise the Italian treaty and restore Trieste to Italy, met the Italian Prime Minister, Signor Alcide de Gasperi, today.
Mr. Bidault met Signor de Gasperi at Crea, near Turin, one of the most famous shrines of Northern Italy. Both, with their wives, prayed before the high altar in the 12th-century shrine.
After worshipping, the two statesmen had a long private talk.—Reuter.Flora Bella
Off To The
CountryLondon, Mar. 23.
Flora Bella, the society cow, whose London town house is next door to Mr. Winston Churchill, is about to leave for the summer season in the country.
Flora Bella is a handsome Jersey owned by Sir Roderick and Lady Jones. During the winter she lives in a stable at the back of her home in the Hyde Park Gate district.
Lady Jones, who is the novelist, Enid Bagnold, said the cow was brought in from the Jones' Sussex home to supplement the milk ration. "My daughter Laurian looks after Flora Bella and milks her twice a day."

And when the Churchills run out of milk they often get some of Flora Bella's two gallons a day yield.—Associated Press.

ACCIDENTAL
DEATHMidhurst, Mar. 23.
A Coroner's jury found today that Mrs. Valerie Josephine Lee, daughter of a Baronet, met an accidental death in her fall from a speeding train near here.

The Coroner said she sometimes "wrongly took too much alcohol."—Associated Press.

Long Trip
In An Open
DinghyLondon, Mar. 22.
Coastguards along the south coast of England were keeping a sharp lookout today for a 20-year-old Swedish student, Hans Nordenstrom, who left the Isle of Wight last week in a 10-foot open dinghy to attempt to reach his home in Stockholm.

Nordenstrom reached the South Coast holiday resort of Brighton on Saturday night and members of the local cruising club helped him haul his tiny craft up the beach.

The young student spent Saturday night in a seaside boarding house and pushed off again yesterday afternoon.

He told the cruising club that he had to return to Stockholm to complete his university studies and decided that the quickest way was to sail.

He has with him a change of clothing and some food wrapped in oilskins. He hopes to complete the 1,400-mile journey with the aid of a pocket compass and a map of Europe.

He was hoping to reach Eastbourne, Sussex, on the English Channel, today.—Reuter.

Assassinated

Cairo, Mar. 22.
Ahmed Al Khazinger Bey, President of the court trying a group of Egyptian youths accused of attempting to blow up the British Supply Centre and Information Office in Cairo last May, was assassinated as he left his home on Monday morning.

Police have arrested two youths—who have not yet been identified—who they alleged fired seven shots at the Judge and threw grenades at passers-by who tried to catch them.—Associated Press.

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"RUBYSTONE"	Shanghai	10th Apr.

SAILINGS

SHIP	TO	SAILING
"RUBYSTONE"	Shanghai	29th Mar.
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SAILINGS

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"SIRDHANA"	Amoy, Shanghai & Japan if sufficient inducement	14th Apr.
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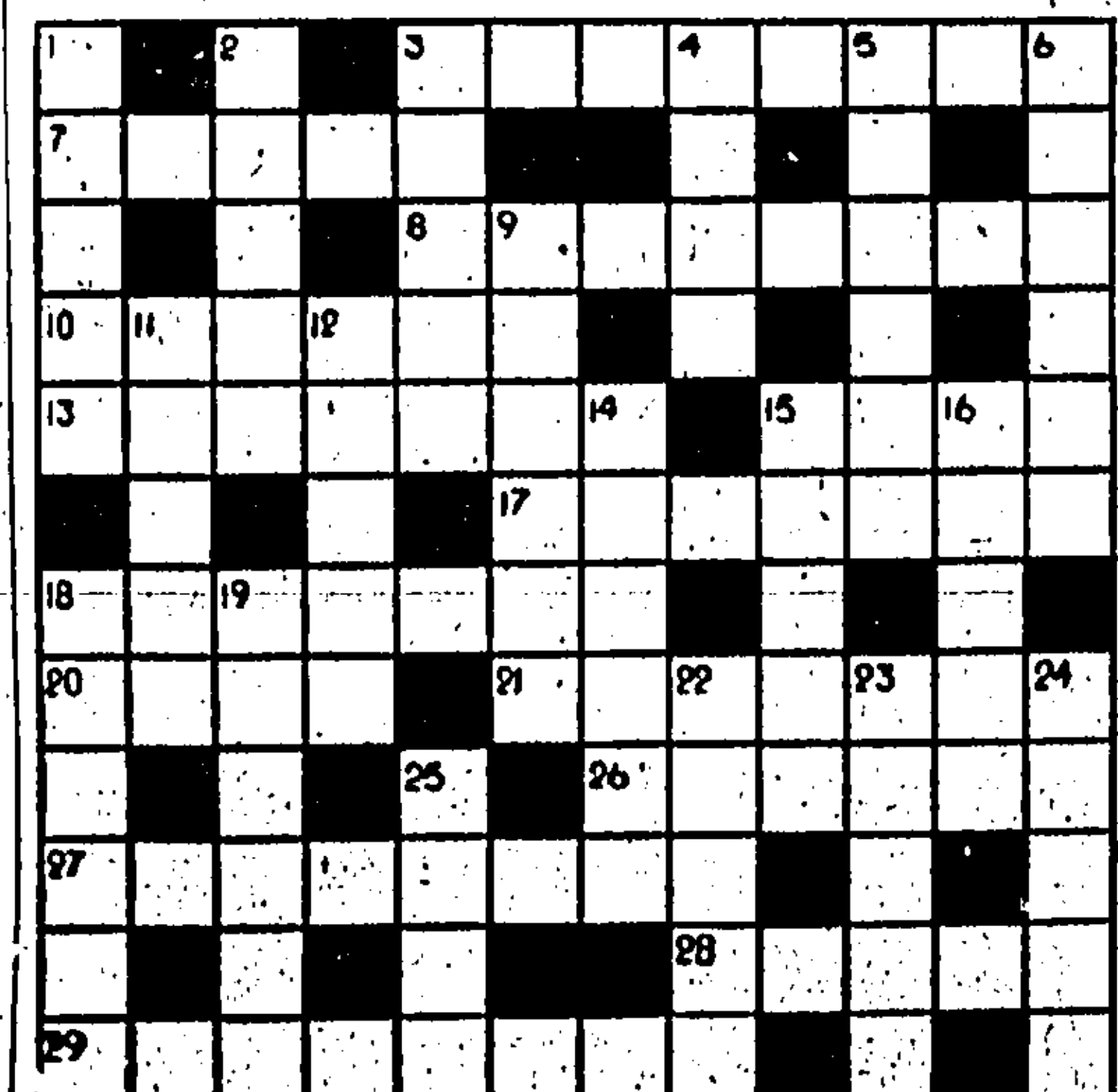
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Clues Across

- Party in a
- Wild animal
- Precious stone
- Disquiet
- Sleeping apartment
- Glut
- Perplex
- Took away
- Winged
- Shaped
- Shortage
- Console
- Brigands
- Swala
- Torture

Yesterday's Crossword

- Across—1. Spread, 3. Daub, 5. Broom, 9. Sullen, 10. Nudge, 11. Total, 12. Alar, 13. Terse, 16. Delect, 18. Ceased, 20. Stern, 22. Dial, 23. Ether, 25. Extra, 26. Needed, 27. Grade, 28. Aired, 29. Slides.

Clues Down

- Bushy plant
- Quagmire
- Rep.
- Little devil
- Creature
- Subjects
- Made reparation
- Part of a staircase
- Mistake
- Demure
- Mar.
- Military
- Poor player
- Mode of behaviour
- 24 Ripp
- 25 Pleasant
- 26 Sustains
- 27 Reliance
- 28 Donated
- 29 Amulet
- 30 Reminded
- 31 Explored
- 32 Distard
- 33 Legends
- 34 Emerge
- 35 Taxer
- 36 Reel

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Tientsin 1 p.m. 24th Mar.
"SINKIANG" Singapore, Macassar,
Sourabaya, Semarang,
Canton, Batavia
& Banka 11 a.m. 25th Mar.
"TSINAN" Shanghai 1 p.m. 25th Mar.
"SHENGKING" Shanghai 4 p.m. 26th Mar.
"NANCHANG" Singapore & Fenchow
Bangkok 7 a.m. 31st Mar.
"SOOCHOW" Incheon &
Fusan 4 p.m. 1st April
"YUNNAN" Singapore 10 a.m. 4th April
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Mar. 24, Pan-American, 12.45
p.m.

Canton
Mar. 20, Cathay Pacific, 12.30
p.m.

Iwakuni
Mar. 20, BOAC (Capt. John-
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Shanghai
Daily, CNAC, 10.45 a.m.
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12 noon

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Singapore
Mar. 27, BOAC (Capt. Foster)
4 p.m.

San Francisco
(Via Honolulu, Wake, Guam,
Manila)
Mar. 24, Pan-American, 12.45
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Singapore via Bangkok
Mar. 24, Cathay Pacific, 2
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Salmon
Mar. 26, Air France, 2 p.m.

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Mar. 24, BOAC (Capt. Payne)
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Manila
Mar. 25, Cathay Pacific, 2.30
p.m.

Canton
Mar. 20, Cathay Pacific, 2.30
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Singapore
Mar. 26, BOAC (Capt. Foster)
7.30 a.m.

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Mar. 25, H.K. Airways, 10 a.m.

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Mar. 25, Pan-American, 8 a.m.

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Mar. 26, Pan-American, 10
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Iwakuni
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Salmon
Mar. 27, Air France, 7.30 a.m.

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Airmail for Tientsin, (Reg.) 2 p.m., (Ord.)
2.30 p.m.

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Manila, 10 a.m.
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